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8TH REGIMENT BALL A BIG SUCCESS!

Adjutant General Dickson and Staff and 5,000 Attend Opening of New Armory Monday Night

DR. CROSTHWAIT HEADS DENTAL SURGEON LIST

The Young Men's Christian Association to have a Membership Banquet in the Near Future—Douglass Day Celebration at Quinn Chapel Last Sunday a Brilliant Success—Dr. Lewis E. Johnson Locates in the City—Major R. R. Jackson Ill—Provident Hospital Pupils to Give Dance on March 18.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

Freeman Bureau, 3000 South State St., Phone, Douglass 8058, Automatic 75-233.

CHICAGO, Ill., (Special).

Nearly 5,000 people were present on Monday night at the formal opening of the new Eighth Regiment Armony. It began raining early in the evening, and did not stop until the next morning, but this did not keep the people away. They wanted to be among the first to dance on the new floor, and the first to put in their appearance at the new building. Col. Franklin A. Denison, commanding, and Cary B. Lewis, "war correspondent," was there early, to greet the throng as it arrived. Col. J. H. Johnson, Capt. Nelson, Capt. Fry and Capt. Hill were among those who were present early, to look after the minor details and to make things pleasant for the guests. Then came Adjt-Gen. Dickson and his staff, who represented the State. They were accompanied by their wives and friends.

The grand march was headed by Adjt-Gen. Dickson and Mrs. Franklin A. Denison. It started promptly at 10 o'clock. They were followed by his staff, Col. Denison and his staff and thousands of others. The women, most of them, had special gowns for the occasion. Miss Josephine Davis, Chas. Reese, Mrs. Marie Parker, Mrs. Elizabeth Barnett and Miss Gonzales Porter were among those whose gowns were extremely beautiful. Many of the men wore evening dress, and as the band played a special march for the occasion, Capt. Hill led the march, until every one in the hall was able to be seen to an advantage. Following the grand march there was a two step, and the hall was then in motion until 2 a. m. The appointments of the new armory are beautiful. Every captain has a special room, and each company a special room, one for the quarter master and commissary, one for Col. Johnson and Staff and one for the Colonel. There were fully two hundred white people present, who danced with members of the 8th, and all had one glorious time. No one seemed to have a better time than the Adjt-Gen. and Senator Ettleson, and many other prominent men whom I do not recall, but who are personal friends of the Colonel.

The ball was a grand success, and will go down in history of the regiment as the greatest, happiest and most congenial yet given. There was punch served on the ball room floor, while in the quarters of Capt. Fry, light refreshments were given special guests. When the rooms are fitted up properly this will be a modern club house for young men, and already the ranks are filling up with the best brain and brawn of the city. With the new armory the citizens may now expect to see some of the finest specimens of manhood that can be found in any part of America.

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Provident Pupils to Give Dance.

The pupils of Provident Hospital and Nurses Training School will give a dance at Dreamland Hall, 3520 south State street, Thursday, March 18th. The dance will be informal, and will be to secure funds to help meet Mr. Julius Rosenwald's offer of $500.00 to the hospital, providing a like sum is raised. Miss Warlick and the nurses are working like Trojans to raise the money, and any friend who wishes to contribute can do so by sending same to the Provident Hospital, 36th and Dearborn street, Chicago.

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Dr. Paul Crosthwait.

Dr. Paul Crosthwait came second on the list in an examination of the Civil Service Commission, under the Board of Health, for dental surgeon. His average was 81.90, the highest man beating him only nine-tenths. Dr. Crothwait is one of the most intellectual young men in this city. He has proven his ability and capacity on several occasions. He was born in Nashville. He received a high school education and took a course at Perdue University, and then entered the Northwestern University dental department. He graduated with high honors, and took the State Board and passed, making the highest mark in 1914, the month of October. Dr. Charles Bentley, one of America's greatest living dental surgeons, took him in his office as assistant, and he remained with him until Wednesday of this week, when he reported to the Board of Health. While Dr. Crosthwaite will be employed a few hours in the day, he will be with Dr. Bentley in the afternoons. Within a few years we will hear Dr. Crosthwait's name being mentioned with the other big dental surgeons of the country. He reads much, thinks well and with his growing experience opportunities for him to reach the top are very encouraging. The young men at the Y. M. C. A. are proud of Dr. Crosthwait, and they wish him continued success.

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New Interest at the "Y."

The Wabash Avenue Association is taking on new interest. Not since the opening of the association has there been so much enthusiasm at this fine institution for young men. Even young men have been invited to deliver addresses on Sunday. A few Sundays ago Mr. Bishop, curate of the St. Thomas Episcopal church, and Dr. Paul Crosthwait spoke. Now there is to be a membership banquet, one in which fraternity and brotherhood will be encouraged, and a young man has been asked to be the master of ceremonies. A new chairman of the social committee will be appointed. More than this, one of the directors, Dr. George Cleveland Hall, has been selected to serve on the City Committee, which discusses and advises plans for the whole twenty-six institutions in the city. From top to bottom the old ship has taken on new power, and the machinery well oiled, and some big things are expected to take place by spring. The Wabash Avenue Association needs new members. Its a great big institution and plenty of room for all. Every known modern convenience for men is there. It ought not to be overlooked. Are you a member; if not why not?

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Miss Mable Smith Ill.

The many friends of Miss Mabel Smith, who is in Indianapolis, Ind., regret to learn that she has been ill. A telephone call from Indianapolis, this morning, states that she is much better, and is able to be at her desk, at the Freeman office. Miss Smith is the daughter of Mrs. H. S. Smith, 3850 Dearborn street, Chicago.

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Attorney Lewis Johnson Locates Here.

Attorney Lewis Johnson, of Washington, D. C., has located at 3004 State street, in the office formerly occupied by Dr. George C. Hall. He took his L. L. B. degree at Howard University Law School in June, 1912. He is a member of the bar of the Supreme Court of Washington, D. C., and the Court of Appeals. He was admitted to the bar of the State of Illinois in December. He is known to every Y. M. C. A. man in the country. It was he, when executive of the Y. M. C. A. at Washington, that had charge of the $27,000 raised by colored people. Later Mr. Julius Rosenwald gave $25,000. Lawyer Johnson organized the Y. M. C. A. at Buxton, Iowa, and while there attracted attention by his crusades against "bootlegging." He is a race man, congenial, affiable and intelligent, and an organizer of men. While in Washington he was an active member of the N. A. A. C., and secured Mr. Robert M. LaFollett to speak against the discrimination against colored people in the departments. While there he was superintendent of Metropolitan A. M. E. church, Sunday school and teacher of a Bible class of 100 men. He has won many important Supreme Court cases in Ohio, based on Hon. Harry Smith's Civil Right's Bill. Mr. Johnson is a nephew of Col. Harry Biggs, U. R. K. P., and a brother of Mrs. Alice Walker, past Princess of the Knights of Tabor. Already his office is being filled with people looking for counsel, and with his legal training there is every indication that he will add greatly to the profession in this city.

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Douglass Day Celebrated.

Douglass Day celebration at Quinn Chapel, A. M. E. church, on last Sunday, was a brilliant success. The house was packed, and many notable speakers delivered addresses. Prof. Richard T. Grenner, Judge Harry Olson and Hon. Adelbert Roberts delivered the principal addresses, with Mr. Roberts as master of ceremonies. The church was beautifully and appropriately decorated with American flags. Stiring patriotic airs contributed to the enthusiasm. Prof Grenner, the orator of the day, spoke of the career and character of Douglass, the great

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MME. C. J. WALKER THANKS THE PUBLIC FOR SUPPORT.

Great Humanitarian Appreciates the Generous Assistance Given Her in Behalf of the Miss Spencer Benefit.

We reproduce a letter written to the public, which follows, by Mme. C. J. Walker, the noted philanthropist, and hair preparation manufacturer,

FRANCES SPENCER.

in regard to the benefit given by her for a Miss Spencer, a struggling young harpist. The letter is as follows:

To The Public:

In accordance with Miss Spencer's request, I wish again on her behalf to thank the public for the kindly interest shown in her, and to hope with her that she will more than

MME. C. J. WALKER.

prove worthy of our efforts in her interest. When the enormous expense of a good harp is considered it will readily be seen that even three hundred dollars will not go far toward the purchase. I shall watch Miss Spencer's progress. As far as I am able from time to time, I desire to do what I can to encourage our young people, and it is my intention at some time to give another benefit entertainment for Miss Spencer in order to leave the debt on a harp within the reach of a struggling girl. This will provide opportunity for those who were not able to attend the recent benefit to give some assistance yet. Only a few colored girls have even aspired to be harpists and let it be the hope of all that this young woman will more than come up to our highest expectations. Again thanking you each and every one for your assistance in whatever way rendered, I remain,

Yours for the highest good of our young people,

MME. C. J. WALKER.

Total receipts realized from the entertainment, $182.50.

My Dear Madame Walker:

Pen can not tell you how happy I am tonight, when I think of you giving me a check for three hundred dollars, to pay my first payment on my harp. I ask my Heavenly Father to guide me and make me deserving of such kindness.

I want to thank you, Madame, for your interest and your aid for had you not have helped me, I would have had to give up my music and could not have a harp of my own. Please thank the people, the public, who came out to help me and to show me they wanted me to succeed. I can not find words to express to the people how I felt when I faced the audience for the first time, and realized they were my friends and want me to succeed. I will never forget them.

You have done more for me than any one, even my own mother, and I a stranger to you, and then to offer me a home and help me to finish my education—only my actions in the future can show you and prove to you my appreciation.

I will willingly come to you, and do any task, for I am proud to say I can work and happy to know that I can work for you and show you I appreciate a true friend.

May God bless you and may your blessings be great; may you always be successful and happy is the wish of your humble, little friend

FRANCES SPENCER.
436 Tacoma Ave.,
Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 22, 1915.

CHAUFFEURS OF BOSTON GIVE A GRAND SMOKER.

Kid Shephard Entertains for the Drivers and Happy Time is Had.

(By Frank Stanley, Boston Representative The Freeman.)

Special to The Freeman.

BOSTON, Mass. Feb. 22.—The Chauffeurs Association of this city gave a smoke talk last Tuesday evening, when a pleasant evening was spent by all present. Those that spoke were Dr. Garland, Dr. Robinson and Dr. Taylor. Kid Shepard, who is now with the Indian Motorcycle Co., furnished the entertainment for the evening. Among others present were Mr. G. Jones, Mr. H. Hoghines and Mr. Reed. Mr. Ford presided.

Mrs. Viola Harris, of Harris & Harris, is now laying off visiting her mother, and sends regards to all her friends in and out of the profession.

W. B. Brown, of Chicago, has taken unto himself a little home here in the Hub and says, "I like the road, but O you little cozy corner in the winter time."

The Hiawatha Association, of Baltimore, gave their annual February dance Monday, February 15th, and from the remarks heard coming home everybody had a good time. Have another one soon, boys. S. King, president; W. Otto, chairman.

The Roxbury Associates have opened their new spacious quarters at 697 Shawmut avenue. I was shown through their rooms by Mr. Jones, their president and from indications should enjoy a large membership. Mr. H. Jones, president; R. T. Frist, secretary.

I happened to drop in the National theatre last week and was very much pleased to see two of our Boston boys on the bill, C. Williams and B. Oxley. All they did was taken nine encores and almost stopped the bill. That's going some.

B. Robinson sends regards to Tim Owsley and the rest of the profession. Am doing well here.

The Winslow Athletic Club will give their eighth annual dance next month. J. Webster, president; E. Asbury, vice president.

Don't forget to order your Freeman early and then you will be sure to get it.

COLORED EDUCATORS HOLD SESSION IN VIRGINIA.

Special to The Freeman.

RICHMOND, VA.—Representatives of the leading colored educational institutions in the state of Virginia met in Richmond recently. Uniformity of standards and regulations was the basis of their deliberations.

APPOINTED TREASURER TEXAS MASONS.

Special to The Freeman.

DALLAS, TEXAS.—R. C. Houston, of this city, has been appointed treasurer of the Texas Grand Lodge of Masons to fill the unexpired term of the late Dr. W. T. Hughes.

COLORED INSURANCE COMPANIES PAY LARGE SUMS.

Special to The Freeman.

SAVANNAH, GA.—According to a recent statement of J. C. Lindsay, publicity agent of the Savannah (Ga.) Local Negro Business League, the six Negro insurance companies represented in that city paid out to Negroes of Savannah for office rent $1,198.00; to 153 workers in salaries and commission, $66,790.45; and Negro policy holders, $55,086.65; or a total of $123,175.10.

MISSOURI GIVES $75,000 FOR COLORED GIRL SCHOOL.

Special to The Freeman.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Feb. 15.—After twelve years' persistent work, the Federation of Colored Women's Clubs of the State of Missouri has secured a state legislature recommendation of nearly $75,000 for the completion and maintenance of a State Industrial Home for Wayward Colored Girls. Mrs. Ida A. Walker is president of the state federation.

NEWS OF THE NATION'S METROPOLIS

Race Prejudice is Dying Out, Declare Speakers at Republican Club Saturday Luncheon

CLEVELAND G. ALLEN REPRESENTS NEGRO PRESS

Prominent College Professors of Many Races Praise Trend Toward Brotherhood—Prof. Wm. Pickens, of Wiley University, Speaks for the Negro—A Prominent Lodge Woman, Mrs. Phoebe Green, Sets up New Lodges—Mrs. W. P. Hayes Returns from Pleasure Trip—Monroe Trotter Coming March 1.

Allen's National News Bureau,
252 West 53rd Street.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—At the regular Saturday afternoon luncheons at the Republican Club last Saturday the discussion was: "Is Democracy Gaining Over Aristocracy and the Spirit of Brotherhood over Race Hatred?" It was University Day and prominent professors from Yale, Columbia, the University of Chicago and New York University were present and decried race prejudice and aristocracy and said that race prejudice in this country was gradually dying out and that the trend of the times was towards Democracy. Among the speakers were a Japanese, and an Assyrian and a Negro. Professor William Pickens of Wiley University, and who was presented at the meeting as a Phi Beta Kappa man of Yale, represented the Negro race. The discussion was one of the most timely of the many discussions that come up before the club each Saturday afternoon, and prominent and influential members of the club were out in large numbers. Cleveland G. Allen, of Allen's National News Bureau, was the only colored representative of the colored press and sat at the regular press table. He was present at the request of Prof. Pickens. Before the addresses the regular luncheon was served which consisted of oysters on the half shell, vegetable soup, roast sirloin of beef, apple pie and coffee. Throughout the luncheon the spirit of brotherhood prevailed and the fact of race or color was forgotten. Professor W. H. Sloane, Professor of Contemporary History at Columbia University, was the first speaker. Prof. Sloane spoke as an old resident of New York, and said that he was glad to see that race prejudice is gradually dying out in this city. "We have made great progress in fifty years in this city," he said. "While we have not reached the New England standard our attitude towards the races has changed greatly. I remember in this city fifty years ago when riots were frequent between the race in this city, but I am glad to say that is dying out at a very good rate." Professor Sloane praised the Negro, and said that in many cases in the South where he outnumbers the whites five to one, he could rebel against many of the wrongs which he suffers. Prof. Sloane said that he believed in representative government, and denounced in strong terms the attitude of the Democratic party. Professor William Pickens was the only Negro speaker, and spoke in behalf of the Negro. Professor Pickens received an ovation when he rose and throughout his address he was heartily applauded. Prof. Pickens said in part: "Perhaps in the subject that we are discussing and its relation to the Negro, I may call attention to some things and let you judge whether or not the spirit of brotherhood is growing in favor of the Negro or not." He traced the Negro's history in this country from the time Henry the Navigator held the Negro captives as ransom to the present time and dwelt at length on the period of slavery. He said that slavery was dog of the Civil War and that freedom was the fence. He called attention to the 200,000 black soldiers who fought for this country at the time of the greatest need. Speaking of the political development of the race, Prof. Pickens said: "Since the administration of Wilson the Negroes have opened their eyes and that he felt sure they would return to the Republican ranks. Before the Civil War the Negro had no representation in the civil courts and was but chattels." Prof. Pickens made a plea for fair play for the race, and said that the spirit of brotherhood would be permanent if the nation would do its part by the Negro. Closing his address he said: "The man who introduced the Grandfather clause did not believe that the Negro was inferior to the white man. The test should apply to the voter rather than to his grandfather." (Applause.)

"The white man should compare itself to a race that has a larger culture. Prof. Pickens praises the women of the race and said that suffrage among the women of the South would be slow in the South because of colored women. Prof. Pickens was warmly applauded at the close of the address and was forced to bow several times. Professor Franz Boas, the noted anthropologist of Columbia University, advocated intermarriage as a possible solution of the race question. He said that anthropology had shown no ill effects of two races intermarrying.

Professor T. Iyenaga, Professor of History at the University of Chicago, and a Japanese called attention to how Democracy was getting the hold in Japan. He said fifty years ago there was a class in Japan that had absolutely no civil rights in the courts and was subjected to laws made by others. He said he was glad to see the spirit of Democracy taking the ascendency in his country. He was heartily applauded when he said that all the Japanese ask is fair play and special favors. He called attention to how his association with Americans had changed his point of view. Professor Phillip Hitti, President of the Cosmopolitan Club of New York, and lecturer on Semitic languages at Columbia University, spoke for his country, Syria. He called attention to how race prejudice is unknown in his country, and said that the prejudice was one of religion and not of race. Professor Jeremiah Jenks, of New York University, said that each race should stand on its merit and that one should not think ill of the other. The meeting was one of the most profitable held at the club for some time, and as the result much good was done towards bringing about a better feeling for the races. At the conclusion of the meeting Prof. Pickens was warmly praised for his fine defense of the Negro. It was a great day in the history of the Republican Club and will go down on record as epoch making. The strong denunciation of race prejudice by such a representative citizen of this nation shows that there is a strong background that can be depended on.

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A Prominent Lodge Woman.

One of the most prominent and active lodge women of the race is Mrs. Phoebe A. Green, of this city. Mrs. Green for three years has been the Grand Worthy Recorder of the Household of Ruth of this District which is one of the most responsible positions in this great organization of women. Mrs. Green is kept busy setting up various orders, and she returned from Middletown, N. Y., last Sunday evening where she had gone to set up a new order of the lodge. The new order in Middletown last Sunday was set up under the direction of the Mayflower Household of Ruth assisted by the District of New York. Mrs. Green stands high in lodge circles of the city and is among the few women of the race who has attained such eminence in lodge circles. Mrs. Green is a member of Bethel A. M. E. church and is the wife of A. B. Green a prominent Odd Fellow.

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Mrs. W. P. Hayes Returns to the City.

Mrs. W. P. Hayes, the beautiful and accomplished young wife of Rev. Dr. W. P. Hayes of Mt. Olivet Baptist church, has returned to the city from a pleasant visit which included many cities. Mrs. Hayes visited Philadelphia, Camden and Atlantic City. While in Philadelphia she attended one of the services of Billy Sunday the great evangelist, and in talking to your correspondent she described her visit to the Sunday Tabernaclé as a pleasant one. While visiting in Atlantic City Mrs. Hayes was entertained at special luncheon by Mrs. Anna Hayes Graves the sister of Dr. Hayes. Mrs. Hayes returned to the city much improved in health from her visit. Mrs. Hayes is one of the most interesting of the young matrons of this city. She is well educated and accomplished, being a splendid pianist. She was formerly a school teacher in Virginia. She is active in church circles of this city and wields influence among the musical people.

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General Notes.

Rev. Dr. W. P. Hayes is spending a few days in Virginia, where he is resting from a hard and arduous year at his church.

Monroe Trotter, the fearless editor of the Boston Guardian, and hailed by the daily press of the nation as the man who struck the blow for the second emancipation, will speak in this city at the Mother Zion A. M. E. of which Rev. Dr. J. W. Brown is pastor. The meeting is being held under the auspices of the various lit-

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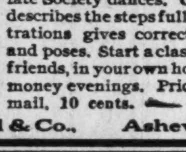

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THE NATION'S CAPITAL

Editor Chase "Trounced" by Prof. Glenn, of the M Street High School.

Gallant Young Educator the "Lion of the Hour" and Proposed for the Spingarn Medal for 1915—Washingtonians Rejoicing Over the Triumph of Retributive Justice.

Attempt to Put Howard University "Out of Business" Will Fail—The Name of Sisson, of Mississippi, Anathema—Best Blood of the South for Howard, Lining Up With New England—Douglass and Langston Honored—Swann in Town.

THE SCHOOL FIGHT WILL NOT END UNTIL A CHANGE COMES.

Sensational Disclosures May Grow Out of the Chase-Glenn Legal Battle—"Hazing" at Howard University May be Banned—Professor Just Gets Spingarn Medal.

By R. W. THOMPSON.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Although the incident is several days old, the thorough "trouncing" administered to W. Calvin Chase, editor of the Washington Bee, by Prof. Amphias H. Glenn, instructor in languages at the M Street high school and secretary of the Board of Examiners for the colored public schools, is still the reigning topic of conversation in every section of the town. As the doughty editor has for years used his paper to assault and ridicule worthy people in every walk of life in this community, who happened to incur his ill will, the "licking" handed him by Prof. Glenn has occasioned general rejoicing, with no end of gleeful "snickering" wherever men and women doth congregate. Prof. Glenn has come in for an ovation, and has been nominated by an enthusiastic and grateful constituency for the Spingarn medal of 1915. One testimonial has already been given in his honor and others are said to be on the way. He is indeed the "lion of the hour," and is being universally commended for having the grit to defend the dignity of his office and to rebuke in vigorous and timely fashion an unwarranted attack upon his integrity as a man.

The story is variously told, but all reports seem to agree that the Bee man approached Prof. Glenn in a bullying manner about the appointment or examination of a client, in whose interest Chase is supposed to have called at the M. Street High School. Provoked beyond endurance by Chase's insolence and uncomplimentary remarks, Prof. Glenn asked the editor to vacate the premises. Anticipating physical violence, the gallant young educator, is said to have blocked a threatened attack by landing on Chase with a chair, and followed this up with a second chair until Chase, fearing the worst, pleaded with the approaching teachers to protect him, that his very life was in danger. Rescued finally from the Glenn fusilade, Editor Chase, with a bruised head, a badly cut lip and minus collar and a portion of his shirt front, is reported to have emerged from the Williams Temple of Learning a sadder, but much wiser man than when he entered. His "bluff" had been called; he had "taken the count."

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A Big "Scrap" in Sight.

Chase appealed to the District Attorney for a warrant for the arrest of Prof. Glenn, but that official, it is said, seemed to feel that the school man was justified in his action and that there was no good reason why he should be brought to book for defending his office and personal dignity. After a delay of several days, and upon representations that might properly be looked into, the coveted warrant was issued. Prof. Glenn was put under a bond of $100 to appear when called, to answer charges of "disorderly conduct" and "assault with a deadly weapon," the latter presumed to be a chair. The educator demanded a jury trial and it is expected that the case will be heard this week. Some sensational developments are looked for, if street talk counts for anything, and it is stated that Editor Chase is in a mood to make disclosures that will not be relished by folks in touch with the school administration, that is now under the fire of the community. "Mediation" is said to have been attempted by the diplomatic Attorney James A. Cobb, but the chief belligerent, Chase, declined to be appeased and the case will be fought out to a finish.

As the eve of battle approaches, Glenn is standing pat; Chase is said to be confident that he is "going to 'get' somebody;" and the public is eager to see the biggest "scrap" of the most recent school tournament.

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Trying to Put Howard University "Out of Business."

The name of Representative Sisson, of Mississippi, is anathema in the eyes of the colored people of the District of Columbia and among the friends of Negro education everywhere. Last Saturday, while the sundry civil bill was under discussion in the House, this scion of "crackerdom" made a point of order on the item which provided $101,000 for the support of Howard University. The point of order raised by Sisson was sustained by Crisp, of Georgia, who was presiding over the House, then in the Committee of Whole, on the ground that none of the items figuring in the total is authorized by law. The items are $65,000 for maintenance; $12,000 for the department of manual arts; $1,500 for fixtures; $10,000 for repairs, etc.; $7,000 for medical department; $2,000 for the laboratories of the new science hall; and $3,500 for fuel and light—in all, $101,000.

Sisson, defending his point of order, said he would be opposed to the Howard University appropriation, even if it were for a "white school," as he is on record against expending government money for private or sectarian institutions and fought unsuccessfully the allowance for Garfield and Provident Hospitals. He is particularly bitter against Howard University, it appears, because among other things, theology is taught there. Representative Fitzgerald, in charge of the appropriation bill, called attention to the act that for thirty years Congress has been contributing to the support of Howard University, and that without governmental aid the institution would not be able to continue. Be it said to the credit of Mr. Sherley, of Kentucky, who represents the real blueblood of the South, that he strenuously opposed the attitude of the Mississippian on the question of Negro education, and with others, urged Sisson to withdraw his point. Mr. Sherley, showing that the withdrawal of this aid from the school would seriously criple the efforts of the Negro to educate himself for a career of usefulness, and declared that the attitude of his bourbon colleague did not in any sense reflect the judgment of the white people of the South. Representative Gillett, of Massachusetts, showed that other items not specifically authorized by law had gone into the bill without serious objection and felt that the country would not forget to charge this opposition up to color prejudice. Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, reminded Sisson of the fact that it was a Democratic Congress, which thirty-five years ago, passed the first appropriation for Howard University. Arguments were unavailing and Sisson stuck to his point. The sundry civil bill was adopted by the committee, with the Howard item stricken out.

The authorities at Howard University are somewhat "blue" over the situation, but are by no means discouraged. They regret the show of unfriendliness, for which there is no warrant, and regret that it becomes necessary for them to fight for what ought to ordinarily come without question, since no increases are involved. President Newman and Secretary Cook are confident that the Senate will restore the item when the bill reaches the upper branch, and that the House, on a regular roll call, will concur with the Senate, thus saving the day.

Howard University is the Negro's foremost school for the higher education and anything that would tend to cripple its work would be a deadly blow to Negro progress. The friends of the race in Congress declare that the Sisson movement cannot succeed.

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The School Fight Goes Merrily On.

There are no new developments in the school fight, but the agitation is as bitter as ever on the same old lines—lack of confidence in the existing administration and universal demand for a change. The report of the committee of the Board of Education on the kindergarten cases has not yet been made public and the recommendations of Superintendent Thurston on the general situation have not yet been unsealed. Assistant Superintendent Bruce is sparring for wind, and playing a waiting game, with a view of wearing out the opposition, as has been the scheme before. At no time in the past twenty years, however, has the opposition been so persistent, determined and implacable. A "sop" of an appointment here and there, which used to be effective, seems unavailing now. The people want a change and nothing less will satisfy them.

The librarianship of the Normal School, which has caused no end of friction in the past few weeks, is still unfilled and it is likely to remain vacant for some time, if those who contend that the recent "examination" was a "frame-up," succeed in proving that it was not on the level. A keen watch is said to be kept on the homes of certain officials and tab is kept on conferences between the Assistant Superintendent and certain regular visitors at Franklin School building. No one comes or goes without the fact being known to the vigilance committee, and it is said that some "good schemes" are being hatched by the administration clique that will not work out as planned, because a checkmate is ready for springing at the proper time. The attitude of the Board of Education is denounced as "spineless," in that it does not seem able to meet the questions squarely and frankly, and scarcely seems to know just what is going on. The colored members are noncommittal at present, and this is not pleasing to the rank and file of our citizens, who want action and vigorous action at that.

Attempts to conciliate the local colored press have been futile. The three race journals of the District are a unit against the administration of Mr. Bruce, and the editors declare they will remain so until the end of the chapter. The inglorious retreat of the New York paper, after waging a vitriolic warfare for a few weeks, is the joke of the town, as the methods leading up to it are visible to the naked eye.

The school problem in this city is attracting attention all over the country and we are in receipt of letters from many sections, making personal inquiries and endorsing the sturdy stand of the men and women of this community who insist that fair play shall be had for every child in the schools, for every teacher who is doing gilt-edged work and for all who aspire to be teachers, who have demonstrated their merit and are in line for appointment. The opinion freely expressed is that there can be no permanent remedy for the existing dissatisfaction except the placing in power of a man who is strong enough to do the right, regardless of friend or foe, and who will thereby enjoy the confidence of the people whom he must serve.

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Hazing Under Ban at Howard.

Aggravated cases of "hazing" at Howard University has led to a severance of "diplomatic relations" between the "freshmen" and the "sophs," and the practice itself is about to be banned by the faculty as a useless and oftimes dangerous expenditure of time and energy, to say nothing of the monetary losses growing out of the destruction of property, for which the "hazer" has absolutely no sense of value. A well-known member of the Howard faculty is quoted as saying that "hazing is not essential to a preservation of the true 'college spirit,' used by many as an excuse for all sorts of pranks and actual barbarity. 'Hazing' is nothing but the mob spirit in embryo, and it is but a short step from this form of vioelnce and disorder to the commission of crime." A recent incident, in which the police are said to have figured, has caused the university management to sit and up take notice of the extremities to which the practice is being carried and some drastic rulings are expected at any moment. A number of searching investigations are said to be in progress.

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Prof. Just Gets the Spingarn Medal.

At the Hall of Ethical Culture in New York City last Friday night, Gov. Whitman, of the Empire State, presented to Prof. Ernest Everett Just, of this city, the "Spingarn Medal." This trophy, a handsomely engraved gold medal, worth $100, is offered annually by Dr. Joel E. Spingarn, chairman of the board of directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, to the man or woman of African descent and American citizenship who shall have made the highest achievement during the preceding year in any field of elevated and honorable endeavor.

Prof. Just, since 1912, has been professor and head of the department of physiology in Howard University Medical School and his title to the Spingarn trophy is based on the special research work he has been doing in physiology, biology and zoology, his investigations having covered the period since 1911. For several years he has been a regular contributor to scientific periodicals. The Biological Bulletin, the official organ of the marine biological laboratory, has published a series of his accounts of his scientific investigations, and he has now in press an article which is to appear in the Journal of Morphology, which is the organ of the Wistar Institute of Medicine and Biology, Philadelphia. The board which selected Prof. Just as the winner was made up of men eminent in the world's affairs and the choice was made from a long list of candidates in many fields. Recomendations came from men of the highest professional standing in both races.

Prof. Just is a native of Charleston, S. C., and is thirty-one years of age. He was prepared for college at Kimball Union Academy at Meridian, N. H., and was graduated from Dartmouth in 1907, magna cum laude, being the only one of his class to receive this special honor. He was also elected to the Phi Beta Kappa. From 1909 to 1914 he has devoted his summers to research work at the marine biological laboratory, Wood's Hole, Mass.

The selection of Prof. Just, though a surprise to many, who expected the prize to go to some one engaged more specifically in the work for which the N. A. A. C. P. stands, gives perfect satisfaction and the feeling is general that the award has been most worthily bestowed.

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History Story-Telling Association Organized.

Articles of incorporation of the Afro-American History Story-Telling Association were filed in the office of the Recorder of Deeds last week. The incorporators state their objects and purposes as follows: "The Association shall be ducations, literary and national in scope; to promote the collection and preservation of historical material pertaining to the Negro race; to organize and maintain libraries and museums; to arouse public interest in historical celebrations; and to accumulate biographical sketches and obituary records."

The officers and incorporators of the Association are: Laure E. Wilkes, president; Mary L. Mason, first vice-president; Annie May Miller, second vice-president; Nellie M. Quander, recording secretary; Bertha J. Mondy, corresponding secretary; Minnia A. Lucas, financial secretary; Sadie A. Gaskins, treasurer; Alma J. Scott, librarian; and Rachel E. Guy, Laura E. Joiner, Josephine L. Dandridge, Ella M. Boston, Ellen Truman and Carrie C. Thomas.

It is planned to organize branch Associations in other cities throughout the country and the story-telling feature will be introduced to a number of classes of the younger members of the race at once.

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Col. Thomas Wallace Swann in Town.

Col. Thomas Wallace Swann, of Chicago, general secretary of the National Emancipation Celebration Commission, which is perfceting its plans for a great exposition next August at Chicago, illustrative of the progress of the Negro in fifty years of freedom, has been spending a few days in the city on business connected with the big show. He is the guest of Mrs. (Bishop) J. W. Smith, 1309 R street, and has been in a larger senes the guest of the noted men of the city, including Judge Robert H. Terrell and many others of like prominence. He was a conspicuous figure Friday evening at the Mu-So-Lit Club and listened with deep interest to the eulogies on Frederick Douglass.

Mr. Swann, who is an expert in poitial science, as well as a promoter of expositions, expresses himself as confident that President Wilson has something good up his sleeve for the colored brother. His chief mission here, it is said, is to look after the matter of securing an appropriation of $75,000, in aid of the exposition project, which has developed truly national proportions. It is said that the outlook is quite bright, and that Senators L. Y. Sherman and J. Hamilton Lewis, Representative M. B. Madden and others will be able to get the al lowance through Congress.

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The News in Tabloid.

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The Washington Eagle, which very accurately represents the feelings of the free-minded people of the capital says: W. S. Montgomery or E. C. Williams look like the best material in sight for Assistant Superintendent of the schools. If we cannot get the proper man, the next best thing might be to abolish the office." This may be radical, but it is the way the long-suffering patrons of the schools feel about the present incumbent of the position of Assistant Superintendent, who is admitted to have outlived his usefulness in this community, for reasons that are discussed day and night in the homes and on the strets of the District.

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Provision is to be made in the new Masonic Temple, 10th and U streets, for the housing of the First Separate Battalion of the District National Guard. The new structure is expected to be in readiness some time next year. The inclusion of a commodious drill hall and necessary arrangements for the storing of arms and equipment will afford the armory that the colored branch of the D. N. G. has long needed and will give the organization an opportunity to do its best work along military lines. Major J. E. Walker is now the official head of the First Separate Battalion, succeeding Arthur Brooks, now a Lientenant-Colonel retired.

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At this writing, the Board of Education has not granted a hearing to Dr. W. Bruce Evans as to the charges upon which the latter was deposed from the principalship of Armstrong Manual Training School. The people say that Dr. Evans is entitled to his "day in court," and that the Board and school authorities err in denying him the right to be heard in his own defense on a matter of such grave import—the crux of a career that has been useful and valuable in this community. If the hearing will do Dr. Evans any good and do the Board no harm, it is a mystery why the courteous, if persistent, request of the former principal, cannot be granted. Anxiety, growing out of this anomalous situation, has greatly undermined Dr. Evans' health, and there are those who think the Board should relent, in the interest of common humanity, and consent to a re-opening of the case. Let Dr. Evans have his "day in court."

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Dr. Stephen Morrell Newman, president of Howard University, spent last Sunday in Norfolk, Va., and filled three important speaking engagements there under the auspices of the Howard University Alumni Association of Norfolk and Portsmouth. At 11 a. m. Dr. Newman addressed the congregation of St. John's A. M. E. church. At 4 o'clock he spoke for the Y. M. C. A. at its Queen Street headquarters, and in the evening at 8 he was at the Bank Street Baptist church. This series of lecture-sermons was a part of a comprehensive tour Dr. Newman is making throughout the country as a stimulus for the work of Howard University.

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"Peter Ogden Day" will be celebrated by the thirty Odd Fellows' lodges of the District on Monday evening, March 1, at the Florida Avenue Baptist church. The principal speaker of the occasion will be Mr. L. Hershaw, of Ionic Lodge, an orator of quality, who is always an interesting and informing platform attraction. Mr. Hershaw gave a splendid address last week at the Lincoln Day celebration at the Armstrong Manual Training School.

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The Howard Park Association, which has for its specific aim the development of the section of the District in the vicinity of Howard University, has forwarded to the Commissioners a petition for the establishment of a public comfort station at 7th street and Florida avenue, the logical center of the activities of the colored people of the Northwest. The Association has also asked for repairs on 5th and 6th streets, and has asked for the removal of old Mott School, which has been long abandoned as a school and is condemned. The Association voted unanimously to address a protest to the proper officials against the passage of the "jim-crow" street car bill now pending in Congress.

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Sunday—that is, Rev. "Billy" Sunday—is coming.

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The newest District Commissioner, Hon. Louis Brownlow, starts out admirably. He is responsive to the wishes of the safe and sane citizenry of the community and is broad-minded to the last degree. He is a man of the people.

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The masses of the District are looking anxiously to the sentiments of the three new District Supreme Justices anent the school question. The terms of three members of the Board of Education will expire June 30. The new Justices will hold the balance of power in naming their successors. The colored citizens will ask for the appointment of members of the Board who will favor a change in the present headship of the colored schools. This seems to be a business-like way of getting at the root of the matter.

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"Douglass-Langston Night was observed Tuesday by Bethel Literary and Historical Association. Prof. C. G. Woodson delivered the eulogy on "Frederick Douglass," and Hon. J. C. Napier spoke on "John Mercer Langston."

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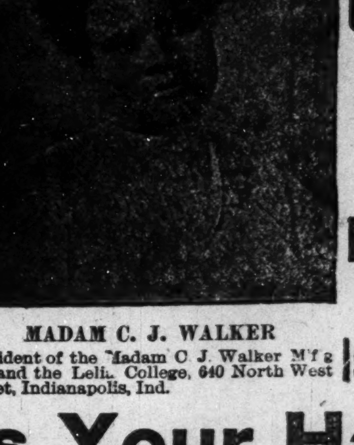

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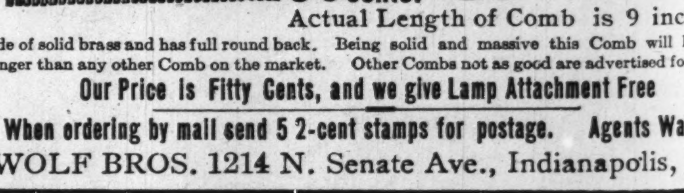

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Miss Mayme White is cashier of the People's Savings Bank at Philadelphia, Pa.

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Mrs. Rolf Da Garter, a native of Cuba, is a cigar maker in New York City.

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Miss Iney E. Adkins is the very efficient stenographer at Spelman Seminary.

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Mrs. Jane Ridley is matron of the Old Soldiers' Widows' Rest at Chicago, Ill.

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Mrs. Sarah P. Martin is Assistant Director of Girls' Industries at Tuskegee Institute.

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Miss Mary Merritt is superintendent of nurses at the Red Cross Sanitarium, Louisville.

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Mrs. Mary Church Terrell is one of the trustees of Hartshorn Memorial College, Richmond, Va.

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Mrs. M. E. Steward has charge of the music department of State University, Louisville, Ky.

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Miss Mary E. Eato, who recently died, was the first colored teacher in the schools of New York City.

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Miss Marion Perkins is the only colored girl in training at the Jersey City Training School for Teachers.

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Mrs. J. A. Pethel is domestic science teacher of St. Michael's Training and Industrial School at Charlotte, N. C.

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Mrs. A. S. Steele is the founder and manager of the Needy Home for Colored Children at Chattanooga, Tenn.

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Miss Ray E. Tucker was New York's first colored graduate hair dresser, masseur and cultivator of hair.

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Mrs. Gertrude Matthews and Mrs. M. L. Matthews are the proprietors of a moving picture theatre at Champaign, Ill.

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Miss Hattie E. Jackson is clerk in the Alpha Beneficial Association and also notary public at Jersey City, N. J.

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Mrs. C. J. Graves gives lessons in painting, crocheting, embroidering and dressmaking at her parlors in New York City.

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Mrs. E. A. Johnson, New York, is a great granddaughter of Richard Allen, the first bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal church.

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Miss Gussie Caldwell is a cateress at one of the largest clubs at Decatur, Ill. She recently purchased a $1,600 home, paying cash for it.

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Mrs. J. A. Lester is the leading chiropodist of Paterson, N. J. She is engaged several days each week at Belmont, a white college of that place.

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Miss Geraldine Thomas is stenographer in the M. H. Shelton real estate office. This is one of the largest real estate offices in the city of Phoenix, Ariz.

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Miss Pauline Dabney Owens has taught sixteen successive years at Mounds, Ill. She is also a lodge worker and an eloquent and convincing public speaker.

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Mrs. L. I. Dean is general agent for the Clover Leaf Company at Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Dean is the only woman in America holding a State license to write insurance.

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Miss St. Clair White is the soloist at the New Monogram Theatre, Chicago. Miss White has won one silver, two gold and one diamond medals as an expert violinist.

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Mme. Sisseretta Jones, better known as Black Patti, is resting for a brief period at her home in Providence, R. I. In the future she will devote her time to religious work.

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Miss P. Elizabeth Rosser recently passed an examination as nurse at Oak Forest, Ill., with an average of 82 per cent. This makes her eligible for appointment to the new tuberculosis hospital.

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Mrs. B. F. Wheeler has hair dressing apartments at her home in Hackensack, N. J., equipped with electric massage, hot and cold air hair drying and other apparatus necessary to a first class scalp culture, hair dressing and manicuring establishment. Her patrons are mostly white and are both extensive and lucrative.

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Mrs. Bessie L. Allen is Superintendent of the Newsboy's Union Sunday School at Louisville, Ky. Mrs. Allen started this Sunday school with a handful of ragged urchins, and by sympathy and encouragement has so built up the interests that Odd Fellows Hall is crowded each Sunday with the city's newsboys, anxious to get a smile or a pat, or a handshake from their beloved Superintendent.

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The Ministers' Wives' Association of Cincinnati and vicinity have organized a National Interdenominational Ministers' Wives' Association of America, with Mrs. M. E. W. Blackwell as national president and Mrs. Hattie Brown-Walker as national corresponding secretary. Papers of incorporation have been taken out and the Association bids fair to do much good since "the hand that rocks the cradle rules the church (world)."

EARLINGTON, KY., NOTES.

Miss Lela Bell, who has been with her sister, Mrs. M. E. Bronaugh, on Atkinson avenue, for the last few weeks, returned to Olmstead, Ky., her home, Wednesday, Feb. 10th.

Mrs. Mary Belephant, who has been in Columbia, Tenn., for the last few months, returned Monday night, Feb. 8th, accompanied by her mother.

Mrs. L. M. Casey, of Madisonville, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Leona Gray, on South Atkinson avenue, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Upsha Wilson, of Henderson, Ky., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon, last week.

Mr. Walter Pruitt was in Hopkinsville and Crofton, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 6th and 7th, visiting relatives and friends. Reported a nice time.

Mr. Mack Baber, 308 East Ninth street, Hopkinsville, Ky., was in the city Monday representing tailoring and laundry company.

Mrs. Hazel B. Tomas entertained several of her friends Wednesday evening, Feb. 10th, at luncheon, in honor of Miss Queenie Warfield, of Battle Creek, Mich.

The Live Wire Club met at the residence of Prof. and Mrs. P. A. Ellison, Friday, Feb. 12th. An elaborate three course luncheon was served and enjoyed by all.

Quite an interesting program in commemoration of Lincoln and Douglass was rendered at the A. M. E. Zion church last Sunday afternoon. Several made interesting speeches. Among those that spoke were Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Evans, Prof. J. W. Bell and Mrs. Ethel Sebree.

The Deestrick Skule of fifty years ago was indeed an amusing and successful play on Monday night, 21st, at the A. M. E. Zion church. Mrs. Gertrude Porter, Captain Club No. 6.

The candlelight rally will be held at the A. M. E. Zion church next Sunday, Feb. 21st.

Miss Viola Hayes, one of the faculty of the city public school, spent last Sunday in Madisonville with her brother, Prof. Hayes, of Atkinson college.

Those that have news of interest and wish the same put in The Freeman, have it ready when W. M. Sisk calls on Saturday.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Mrs. Ed. Wilburn made a business trip to Corsicana the past week and returned home. While there she was the guest of her brother.

Let members of the race learn the different laws and ordinances of the city and they will become as well up in their knowledge as the crooks and others who are constantly there and and will know when they are violating and when they are not.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McMakinzia now reside at 1810 North Allen street.

Mr. Osburne William Hunt, a member of Munger Ave. Baptist church, died last Wednesday at his Thomas avenue residence, after a short illness. He leaves a wife and two daughters. Services were held at the above named church, Rev. A. L. King officiating.

There are some men in Dallas who will stand for anything, even to lose their manly principle for a few dimes. It's time to wake up before your heads are gone by the graft route.

The various Valentine stunts were in evidence, but the lack of coin prevented the big noise.

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The battle royal at the Phoenix Hall Monday night was full of fun and a little boxing. Let the Negroes learn to stop these fakes and give the publis the real goods for their money. If they ever wish to be a known light, welter, heavy, middle or any kind of fighter. Texas Cowboy has some good punches and the Corsicana Slasher some running stock, its the odds clean stuff, boys if you don't.

Ruth, in five acts at the Star theatre, Monday, Feb. 22. Matinee and night. Presented with a cast of Dallas local talent, 40 people.

Yes, meet me at 107 Central avenue and we will eat supper in that new cafe run by Henry and mother.

Mr. Lightfoot at the Bryan and Dude there, too, makes a team to keep Chili hot and purre. Call and eat.

Watch these columns for the Negro enterprises of Dallas and what they are doing to invite the race's patronage.

It's time to select men of the race who will go to the front for the whole people. Yes, the poll tax association has done that already. Is what they have discovered already that the Negroes are busy making arrangements for strictly business in Dallas. Yes, send me that Freeman.

One can see several little preachers daily looking up some stairway. That's a sign of election coming in Dallas soon.

Yes, it's The Freeman. We wish this in: Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Francis, 718 Fairmount street, entertained in honor of a few of their friends last Thursday night at whist and other games. Mr. and Mrs. William Conley, Mr. Robert Beverly, Tommie Washington, Aaron Tanyhill furnished music, and a choice menu and all the latest viands with them were in line throughout the evening.

The double baptizing of Elbethel and Macedonia last Sunday afternoon was a big gathering and several penitents were freed from their sins.

Don't throw those old men down so hard boys. They will know better from this year on. Dixon, Wilburn, Frazer, Williams, Simpson, Weems, Robinson, Reid, Weil, Wells, Powell and others are just putting 'em through and starting.

PINE BLUFF, ARK.

(By Uriah Threet.)

The sad accident on the street car last Tuesday night was deplored by all and we hope that such will not happen again. But it must be remembered that our people are not deliberately assaulting white people in cold blood. If we were given a little more courteous treatment from our street car conductors and motormen and from our police, there would be better getting along. It is a fact that our worst treatment in this section of the country is from the street car men and the police, all being uncalled for. The car officials give their men a good name when something happens and sometimes they are good. But they would get rid of a lot of them if they only could come up on some of them at times. Our women are given some shady treatment by some of the conductors at times. .. Prof. Short made a trip to Tucker Saturday looking after the coming planting. .. J. W. Clay was a visitor last week. He was arranging for the next crop. .. Grand Chancellor Avant was a visitor here Sunday, and as usual, he stopped with his life-long friend, M. W. Webb...The noted Frank O'Brien was in the city this week. .. Mr. Rice, a planter from Ellison, was a visitor this week...Constable Thomas, of Shenill, and wife, made an extended trip through the city this week and returned home. .. Rev. Stout, of Scotts, was a conspicuous visitor this week. .. Mr. Cosady is out again after some illness from exposure. .. Will Austin has been sick again, but is out once more.. Mrs. Curtis is teaching domestic science at Wabbaseca.

SEKITAN, OHIO.

(By N. C. Hawkins.)

W. P. Dabney, editor of the Union, of Cincinnati, has been sued by Rev. J. F. Walker, D.D., pastor of the Metropolitan Baptist church, Cincinnati, for five thousand dollars damages. The charges are libel and injuring his name. Hon. A. Lee Beatty, attorney. Watch The Freeman.

N. C. Hawkins, district organizer and corresponding secretary of the City Union Mass Meeting, will address a large delegation of B. Y. P. U. workers at Walnut Hill Bethel Baptist church, Sunday.

Mr. Cyrus Hawkins is much better.

Mrs. Rosie Banks is improving.

Rev. Neal conducted services at North Bend, Sunday.

Mr. Aaron Johnson has a lucrative barber business. He is popular with the trade.

Mr. S. H. Pillow ranks among the leading business men of the village.

Mr. J. W. Gaines is considering the erection of a new building soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton are doing nicely with their restaurant.

Rev. Robinson preached for Rev. Flores, Sunday.

The Negro Year Book is handled by Hawkins News Agency. Order one today.

Miss Naomi Neal read a very interesting paper at Cumminsville, Sunday. William Williams and Francis Higgins were also present.

The Lincoln birthday celebration will be held at the First Baptist church Monday evening. The public is invited.

We are working in the interest of The Freeman because we feel that it is by far the leading journal of the Negro race. It is national in its views, extending from coast to coast. Every lover of good clean race literature should read The Freeman because it's reading matter is newsy and it deals with facts and not fancies. It tells of the advancement of a great people who were once considered hewers of wood and drawers of water alone.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Lawrence Buss Williams who has been ill at the Home Infirmary, has recovered sufficiently to return to his company.

The concert given at St. Peters, Monday night, by Miss Helen E. Hagan, was very largely attended.

Mrs. Sam Martin died Saturday, Feb. 13, and was buried Sunday the 14th. Funeral services were held at Zion.

Mrs. Ann Williams died Friday, Feb. 12th, and was buried Saturday the 15th. Funeral services were held at Wesley's Chapel.

Miss Mattie Carlton died Friday, Feb. 12, and was buried Sunday the 14th. Funeral services were held at St. Peters, Rev. Gardner officiating. The floral designs were numerous. She was a member of the Juvenile Society No. 1130.

PROMINENT PEOPLE FROM THE STATES WEDDED IN LIBERIA, AFRICA.

Monrovia, Liberia.

A very pretty wedding was witnessed here January sixth. The contracting parties being Mr. Wm. H. York, of Springfield and Chicago, Ill., and Miss Hazel E. O. Reed, of Oxford, O. Both people are graduates of Wilberforce University.

The affair was witnessed by the elite of Monrovia, including the Foreign Representatives in the National Capitol, and was solomnized at the residence of Major Chas. Young, the Military Attache of the American Legation. Rev. T. E. Ward, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, performed the ceremony. Many beautiful presents were received.

Mr. York entered the Liberian Service as a Lieutenant only a year ago. He made a brillant showing, and was promoted to the rank of Captain, in August. He has been prominently mentioned as the next commander of the Force, which position becomes vacant by the resignation of Major Ballard, which goes into effect in April.

Mrs. York taught in North Carolina until last year, and during her stay in the South organized a Y. W. C. A., and was Secretary of the 'Civic League." She will be a valuable addition to the social set of the Liberian Capitol.

The young couple will reside in Monrovia while Mr. York is connected with the Frontier Force.

BUNKIE, LA., NEWS.

Mrs. A. B. Robinson, of Alexandria, stopped in Bunkie to visit her brother, M. W. King and family, while en route to Viilptale, La., where she takes charge of a public school. .. Miss Magnolia Lee spent Saturday and Sunday in Bunkie with her dear mother and friends. She states that she is getting along fine with school. .. Bunkie and its souroundings witnessed a very sad event on last Sunday. The news rang out at at daybreak that death had summoned Mr. Ben Newman, age about 55 years we suppose. .. Before the setting of the sun news was heralded far and near that one of Bunkie's old citizens, Mr. George Taylor, Sr., had met his death by the hands of a young colored man. Mr. Taylor's age was 65 years. He was liked by everyone who knew him, white and black. .. The Christain Baptist is planning a revival, which we hope will result in the saving of many souls. Rev. W. L. Fisher, the pastor, is asking everybody to take an active part in this meeting. .. Mrs. M. W. King and her mother, Mrs. Collins, who have been on the sick list for a week or so, are much better.

TEXAS TOWN HAS COLORED MAYOR.

HOUSTON, TEXAS.—Independence Heights, a suburb of Houston, Texas, has been incorporated. It has a colored mayor, G. O. Burgess, and two colored commissioners.

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Jack Johnson will take no chances. The fight for Juarez is off.

The neutral ships will have to manage to keep out of the Kaiser's war zone.

The constitution of Ohio declares for the sovereignty of the city. How simple and reasonable.

With the segregation business at Washington out of the way, the Democrats administration would not be so difficult to swallow.

The direct primary! Everybody seems to be clamoring for it. Why don't we get it? Or is it possible that we have not heard from the other side?

Roscoe Conkling Bruce is having some little trouble in sticking as superintendent of the colored schools of Washington, D. C., It is a pretty big job, but he ought to be prepared for it now, if he ever expects to be.

It appears that Mr. Bell's bill will be smothered in the borning. We are of the opinion that Indianapolis should say what Indianapolis wants, and not that Terre Haute and Evansville should have a put in. The Ohio constitution is eminently right.

If Germany of today is of the same spirit as the Germany of Frederick the Great's day, it will be a very hard "customer" to beat. It was nothing for that doughty scrapper to take thirty thousand men and mow down a hundred thousand. George Washington or Napoleon were not in it with him.

General Carranza, the Mexican Chieftain, seems to be rather moody, if he is reported properly. It is now given out that he will order Jack Johnson arrested and have him turned over to the United States authorities if he touches Mexico. Before this it was understood that that doughty warrior would not interfere with any arrangements made toward bringing about the contest. Just the same, old Jack is the most distinguished man on earth today. Even the Kaiser hasn't got a thing on him. Vive Le roi!

Health first is a proper slogan in these days, when we are taking our instructions in brief. Those who need good health most are often those who are most careless of their health. The well-to-do people make a specialty of looking after their physical needs. If they should die those depending on them are not likely to suffer. If the poor man died, unless he has been very careful, those that depend on him will suffer greatly. To prolong the lives of useful men and women to their dependent family is an unwritten injunction to them.

The constitution of Ohio permits the very reasonable thing of allowing the cities of the State to govern themselves absolutely, without that kind of interference known in our State, granting certain rights to certain cities above a specified number of inhabitants, and the like. This cumbersome outline is often meant to grant a peculiar franchise to some one city, it alone having the required number of thousands. We have always wondered why a city should not govern itself direct, without this State wide influence that has been ours to endure.

War may not touch this country, but the most indifferent will think that the situation is getting a little uncomfortable. The Kaiser's new order of "shoot 'em on the spot" has greatly complexed affairs, and may be the means of dragging new nations in the conflict. Norway and Holland are restless, not to speak of our own country, which has already suffered two ship disasters. Our country will do well to follow the doctrine of George Washing who, seemingly, foresaw what was in store for this country if it became entangled in foreign affairs.

It begins to look as if the women of Indiana will vote. The constitution bars them from taking part in the main elections. They have gained what is possible under the conditions, and no one seems to be dissatisfied. Some one was mean enough to say that the legislators had to give them the vote in order to get rid of them. They were pesky alright. They created this psychological feeling in the men: "For goodness sake let them have what they want." It's a pity that the war came on and thus closing down the women's campaign in England. Would they in time have created a similar feeling? Perhaps they were a bit too rough to win the same kind of sympathy. Their women demanded, ours entreated, and could not be withstood.

Again Haiti has a little revolution, rather quiet this time, but none the less a revolution. Davilmar Theador has resigned the presidency, or fled it, taking refuge on a Dutch steamer. He will leave the country. It is useless to say that he gave away before the pressure of his enemies, just as so many have done before him. It is said that our country will send a Commission to the republic to straighten out its financial affairs. The islanders seem to be courting their own ruin. We have no precedent to the extent that the United States goes back on its word. Just the same, it's very dangerous for Haiti to have outside Commissions adjusting its affairs. Yet, what can it expect if it continues in a perpetual broil? We hope the best for the little republic.

One of our publications advise staying away from the exposition now on in California. It seems to think that Negroes will be discriminated against on the grounds. We have not understood it that way. It is generally understood that the first class hotels and restaurants owned by white people, will not entertain our people. We think this is as much discrimination as the race will be subjected to. It is enough, but no more than is met in any of our great cities. We do not think discrimination will be a policy of the exposition proper. It is probable that the better class eating places may see fit to carry out the discriminating policy of San Francisco. We need not be shocked at this, as wrong as it is. It seems unwise to rail at this condition which is general, simply because the project happens to be backed by the general government. Individuals and not the government are doing this discriminating.

The Johnson-Willard fight possibility has never looked brighter from the beginning. The managers, the principals and others, more or less interested, have kept up a brave front, going through all the forms just as if the show was to come off. And if the federal authorities had not been so officious in spreading the news about what they would do if they could lay hands on Mr. Johnson, it might be different. We have doubted the earnestness of the authorities, yet Johnson would have taken a great risk in coming to Mexico. Our county would have had no more right to dig him up out of that country than out of France or England. But Mexico has become another Scotland of the day of Robin Hood, and the Scottish chiefs. It is now mediaeval in that feudal state, from which the modern high class nations emerged long ago, and for which they are very thankful. Owing to the ugly condition Johnson has given it out that he will not go to Juarez. He will not take any chances. This means that the fight is off, and Johnson is right in not taking any chances. Our country may be desirable, but any one who would rather live in it, inside of a prison, than outside somewhere else, has got the nuts.

Ex-president Taft, as a whole, gave a splendid exposition of the Monroe Doctrine in his address before the Economic Club of New Haven, Conn. One would think that in the most part it should be satisfactory to all countries. His concluding statement, perhaps, will not meet with unanimous approval. One of the most untenable propositions was when speaking of Mexico: "Nothing in the Monroe Doctrine requires us to bring about peace in Mexico. If we are forced to intervene, it will be justified because we have a right to object to a condition of anarchy in a country immediately adjoining ours, so long continued as to become an international nuisance." In principal we have no such right. That a wrangling country is near us does not make our interference any more necessary than if it were further away. We do have a moral right to help any nation to come to peaceful terms, not because we are especially disgraced because the muddle is close to us. Mexico is just as independent as Switzerland. If either fights to the last man without endangering the lives and investments of others than their own people, it is not up to us to know anything about it in the sense of forcible interference. Mr. Taft is all right from the viewpoint of national respectability, and most men, doubtless, will agree with him. But if independence means anything it does not carry with it provisoes of any kind.

THE WAR'S ENTAIL.

Forgive them for they know not what they do, is a most beautiful dismissal of those things, in dividuals and conditions that sorely try us. The present European war is trying the whole round world. No where is it defended except, perhaps, by those persons engaged in it. The sums of christianity, of civilization have been struck down. Some hold that what is taking place is merely a pause in the great march to better things. This may be true; it ought to be true; it must be true if we are to maintain our large faith in mankind as persistently progressive, having in view the ends for which it was created.

We do not mean to be alarmists, but we would be very dense indeed if we did not view the situation with some little misgivings as to the outcome.

The African Mail, a publication of Africa, probably, voiced the views of many Negroes in that country when it said:

"The failure of Christianity has been too complete in Europe for Christianity to struggle successfully among the colored races. Those races may themselves evolve a closer approximation to it than the west has ever known. But as a proselytising force in non-Christian lands the white man has had his day. The war has killed Europeanized Christianity among the colored people of the world."

The Mail would speak exclusively when it says that "war has killed Europeanized Christianity among the colored people of the world." It speaks as with authority. While we can not fail to see the deep earnestness of the writer, and, of course, of the people he stands for, it would be a calamity to give in to the gloomy thought. We can readily see why the Africans are so greatly disturbed. They are of simple faith. They are eager to embrace that christianity, that religion which promises them so much in this world and in the world to come. They are overcome by the white man's civilization, and which is pictured to them as one of the results of christianity.

When the war is over they may get a clearer vision. This is about all the hope that can be extended them. Those simple minded forest children are not alone stunned, the souls of popes and kings are tried. The head and front of civilization is vexed, groping in the dark, taking the stand of optimism, owing to the faith in the ultimate rather than of their present state of mind. We cannot blame the "heathens" for their resignation. They feel that Christianity, the world's corner stone, has been snatched from the foundation, and that the world totters and reels as a drunken man.

Long since, the celebrated African scholar, the late Dr. Blyden, thought he saw the shortcomings of Christianity. He was tutored in the educational centers of Europe, but in the end he reverted to the old faith of Mohammed as that which had the most consolation, was bigger with hope for his kind. He recommended it. All of this will not, we think, uproot Christianity, but it has given it a very severe shock among a people who need it most.

The hope is, that the trouble is but a jot in the affairs of men. Great as it appears to us today, when it is over it will reduce to the plane of all distant things. Xerses lamented that in one hundred years not a single man of his brilliant army of one million men would be living. He and his army are now merely incidents of history. So after all we need not be too greatly disturbed for our present and future welfare. We should not desert our faith, knowing what it has done. We have no substitute, nothing to offer instead of Christianity. We should cling to the craft, trusting to the great Pilot who has done duty since the morning stars sang together.

HOMES FOR EX-SLAVES.

Some time ago we had considerable to say concerning a home for ex-slaves. We insisted that such an institution or institutions were more reasonable to be expected, and more likely to be sustained by the public than pensions for them, which was agitated by a few misguided persons.

Not that the ex-slaves were not deserving of pensions. We said at that time that no class of persons were more worthy of attention along this line than the ex-slaves. If we can think of charity in degrees this one would have been the worthiest. Language fails in ability to picture the woes of those aged ones who through no fault of their own find themselves stranded in this most agressive age, in the world's history. The eloquent lawyer at the bar would find it his utmost opportunity in picturing these unfortunates to a jury. It was Ingersoll that pictured the northern soldier in the Civil War, beginning with the memorable words: "The past rises before me like a dream." No one has memorialized the ex-slaves in the same masterly way—in song and poetry.

However, the ex-slaves have not been wholly neglected. Time and time again white women of the South, in their conventions, have declared for them in one way or the other, in recognition of what the faithful black servitors had been to them. A monument, we believe, has been erected in one of the Southern cities in memory of their valuable services.

As beautiful and touching as the action of those women in their conferences have been, nothing was done by way of giving the ex-slaves comfort, shelter, food, which they need so very much.

These aged servitors deserve pensions. But to pension them would at once arouse that other question of pay for ex-slaves. The arbitrament of war decided against one and the other—a hard fate, but one of equality.

Because there is no disposition to pension ex-slaves it is no reason that they should go hungry and without roofs over their heads. And because there is now a dispostion to look after their immediate needs we cheerfully set forth what is being done along this line. In Texas a home for ex-slaves has been established. The information concerning it is as follows:

"The home for aged ex-slaves is an outgrowth of a New Year's dinner given about forty aged Negroes January 1st, this year, by John Grant.. Following the dinner a meeting was held at one of the local Negro churches and an organization was formed for the purpose of raising funds and maintaining a home of this kind. Only aged ex-slaves wil be cared for. Among the means that will be used for providing funds will be the sale of enlarged portraits of the beneficiaries, framed for hanging in the Negro churches of Harriss county."

The management of this institution should be encouraged; it should not fail as long as one ex-slave remains to enjoy its comforts. All of the Southern states should have such institutions. The Chinese reverence their foreparents in preference to the more immediate ones—their grandmothers and fathers come before their fathers and mothers. Perhaps we can not so totally reverse our nature, but we should do much more for the aged among us.

WASHINGTON IN LOVE AND WAR.

To add brightness to the sun or glory to the name of Washington is alike impossible. Let none attempt it. In solemn awe pronounce the name, and in its naked, deathless splendor leave it shinning on.

—Abraham Lincoln.

And this view of the first President is so well appreciated that his admirers are ransacking biographies and history in search of the "by products" of his life. The head general of the Revolutionary Army conducted other campaigns than that against the Red Coats. He had many affinities, of course, one at a time. He was defeated right along in this warfare just as he was defeated by the British at the beginning of the struggle.

Indeed, one is struck by the similarity of his wooing and fighting. In either event he went from defeat to defeat, undismay, imperturbed, undiscouraged. His physical mold was no less indicative of the manner of man. His massive head, as seen in his pictures, immobile, solid and stolid as the Spinx of Egypt, gives no sign or hint of surrender or defeat. George Washington was hopelessly beaten, time and time again, as his generals and his army knew. At Valley Forge it looked as if all was over. The supreme courage and faith of Washington alone held together his shattered ranks.

In his love affairs he fought in the same gallant way, without hurrah or eclat that we know of. He seemed to have taken counsel mostly of himself, knowing his own superiority in all respects. And while he did not announce this transcedent manhood, yet in the years it became so impressed that the mere wave of the hand was as the fabled magic wand in a fairy land. He assumed no kingship, yet he received kingly attention. His utter democracy held the country true to its announced faith. The picture of his farewell to his officers is an example of the reverence to one who compelled it by a nature most singularly fit to compel it.

Just as one feels for him when reading of his fighting, he also feels for him when reading of his love campaigns. He had no fear of the size of the "enemy." He courted rich girls, talented girls, distinguished girls, all of whom would have put him to the rout; but he would not rout; he retreated in good order, and was always ready for the next engagement. Any other man would have given up, declaring life a failure. The question naturally arises, why was George Washington so constantly rebuffed in his love affairs? He was bright, a public surveyor at sixteen; he was regularly promoted, meaning good prospects for life. It must have been due to the consciousness of his own worth, having the secret satisfaction that the girls didn't know what they were missing, and also knowing what he was missing.

Mrs. Curtis, whom he finally married, was delighted with him, reminding one of the wealthy Portia, the betrothed of Bessanio of the Merchant of Venice. Bessanio told her the simple truth; he had nothing. He was the flower of nobility and all that; he was splendidly intellectual, and the soul of honor, but all of his wealth ran in his viens. The noble lady heard, saw and understood; she wished that she even had more to endow such a man. George waited and won. He doubtless was contented with his choice. His affections had not been fixed in his various essays at love, at least not so fixed that they could not be readily transferred.

One thinks of Martha Washington as an ideal woman, and so completely at one with her husband that he forgets that she was formerly the wife of another man. He won everything that could come to a man—love, fortune, honor. He was the wealthiest man of his day in this country.

JUDGE PARK RAPS LYNCHING.

MONTICELLO, Ga.,—The Jasper county grand jury has begun its investigation of the recent lynching here of a Negro, his son and two daughters, January 14th, with a view of indictments. Judge Park, in his charge to the body, after stating his satisfaction at the public condemnation of the act, said in part as follows:

"It is strange that men of the great white race sohuld forget themselves as to join a mob to do violence. This race in every clime is known for its bravery, and no power can subdue its courage and determination, and wether in the frozen regions of the north or the tropical countries of the south, it recognizes no superior; and for men of this race to deprive a man of his life by mob violence is not in accordance with the traditions that have governed the Anglo-Saxon race from time immemorial. For a man to hold up another at the point of a pistol is neither manly nor courageous. It is no act of bravery for a dozen men or more to overpower the arresting officer and wrest from his custody a prisoner and swing his body to a limb and riddle him with bullets.

"When the mob in this country overpowered your sheriff, on the night of January 14, 1915, and took from your jail one man, a boy and two girls and lynched them without judge or jury, and for an offense that was not punishable by death, in the eyes of the human and divine law, they committed the crime of murder, and under the provisions of the criminal code of the State of Georgia, of 1910, nothing less can be made of such offenses.

"You have the power to summons any witness in the State of Georgia to come before you, and you will also have ample time during the present term of court to make due investigation of this unpardonable crime, and it is your sworn duty as honest and conscientious jurors to ferret out the perpetrators of that shameful episode, if you can do so, and if the evidence authorizes it, it is your duty to return presentments against any person or persons that were present that night aiding abetting in placing on the pages of Georgia history a blot that time will not efface for many years to come."

WHAT'S DOING IN SPORT.

Leo Patterson, colored featherweight of Joplin, Mo., is one of the fastest boxers in the West. He recently handed out a beating to "Cannon Ball" Mitchell at the Future City A. C., St. Louis, Mo. Patterson announces that he will gladly meet any boy in the world at his weight. His address is 2327 Chestnut street, St. Louis, Mo.

CHAMPION, THOUGHT TO BE IN MEXICO, SHOWS UP IN CUBA —WILL PUSH AHEAD.

Havana, February 22.—Jack Johnson, the pugilist, accompanied by his wife, secretary, sparring partner and a servant, arrived here early this morning from Cienfuegos. He appeared in good condition and declared he never felt better.

Johnson said his only anxiety now was to reach Juarez, Mex., in time for his match with Jess Willard on March 6. He was much annoyed at hearing of the present chaotic conditions in Mexico, especially the difficulties which probably would confront him in going north from Tampico. Johnson declared, however, that he was determined to push ahead in spite of all obstacles and if no regular steamer was available for the trip he would charter a vessel to take him to Tampico.

No plans had been made for his appearance in Havana, Johnson said, but he would confer with George M. Bradt, who holds the Cuban government concession for boxing matches in the Havana stadium, and might give an exhibition bout with Sammy McVey or Jim Johnson.

The heavyweight champion reached Cienfuegos on the four-masted schooner Henry F. Krager, which he chartered to take him from Barbadoes. The passage, which was rough, took ten days.

Last week Johnson was reported in Tampico, Mexico, on his way to Juarez. Instead of being at the battle ground, the champion is now in Cuba, according to the Associated Press, and it is doubtful if he can reach Juarez by March 6, the scheduled time for the fight with Jess Willard.

PROMOTER BELIEVES HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION CAN NOT REACH JUAREZ IN TIME.

Says He Will Need Week of Conditioning in Mexico—Impossible to Stage Bout March 6 if That Amount of Work Should be Done.

El Paso, Tex., February 22.

Virtual postponement of the Jack Johnson-Jess Willard boxing bout was admitted late today by Jack Curley, the promoter. It was believed that Johnson could not arrive at Juarez, Mexico, on the border here from Havana by way of any Mexican seaport by March 6.

Curley, however, said he believed Johnson would arrive safely at Juarez within a short time after the original date, but he did not make known how he would make his way through the ports held by Carranza to the Villa lines. The Carranza officials have announced their intention of arresting Johnson on the ground that he is a fugitive from justice in the United States.

Johnson cabled from Cuba today to Curley that if it were considered impossible to hold the fight in Juarez that the bout could be held in Havana. Curley, however, declared that he would not consent to this, since all matters had been arranged at Juarez.

Curley insists no other boxer will be substituted for Johnson. He said that Johnson would need at least a week's training at Juarez before the fight. This week, with the time required for Johnson's trip through Mexico, even should he encounter no great difficulty would make it impossible for him to fight on March 6.

Willard is continuing his training at his camp on this side of the boundary.

HOTELS REFUSE JOHNSON.

Havana Cold to Champion—He Cables Carranza for Information.

Havana, Feb. 22.—The unexpected appearance in Havana early today of Jack Johnson, the Negro heavyweight pugilist, who is on his way to Mexico to fight Jess Willard in defense of the world's heavyweight pugilistic championship, was followed this afternoon by his equally unexpected disappearance from public view.

Tonight nobody except members of his party, who arrived here with Johnson, and a few friends, knew his whereabouts. None of these people would disclose his place of abode.

When Johnson and his party, consisting of his wife, manager, sparring partner and servants, with a great quantity of baggage, arrived from Cienfuegos, which port was reached last night on board a schooner from Barbados, they drove to a prominent hotel and registered, but a few minutes later were requested to vacate their apartment. After this, it is said, the pugilist endeavored to secure lodgings at all the principal hotels, but was unsuccessful. Finally, however, according to the statement of friends, the party found refuge in a private house, the location of which was not made known.

Johnson said this morning that he intended to proceed immediately to Tampico and thence as rapidly as possible to Juarez, where the fight with Willard is to take place . He expressed confidence that he would win and did not seem to attach much importance to the fact that he would only have a short time to train for the encounter.

When informed of the difficulties he probably would meet in traveling in Mexico, Johnson cabled Gen. Venustiano Carranza, asking him if he would be permitted to land in Mexico and proceed to Juarez. No reply had been received to this message tonight.

Despite this fact, however, passage to Vera Cruz on board the Ward liner Morro Castle, which was due to sail this afternoon, was secured for Johnson. The agents of the line, learning that Gen. Carranza had closed the port of Progresso, to which much of the freight on the Morro Castle was consigned, postponed its sailing. Johnson ,it is said, hopes to take the next steamer to Vera Cruz, and even has declared that he will charter a vessel and sail direct to Tampico if he can get to Mexico in no other way. He hopes to get away from Havana by Saturday at the latest.

Rumors were rife in Havana today that the United States government would demand the extradition of Johnson as a fugitive from justice from Chicago, but the American Legation has received no instructions on this point.

BIG SMOKE BACKS AWAY FROM BOUT IN MEXICO.

Champion Says He Will Not Take Chance on Capture—Will Fight in Cuba.

HAVANA, Feb. 24.—The Jack Johnson-Jess Willard fight scheduled for Juarez, Mexico, on March 6, was, at 11 o'clock last night, officially declared off.

In an interview, just before midnight, Johnson declared he will not take a chance in landing on Mexican soil, fearing that Carranza will either hold him for ransom or turn him over to the American authorities in an effort to re-establish favorable diplomatic relations with Washington.

"If Jack Curley, who was to promote the championship at Juarez, transfers the battle to Havana, we can box here," declared Johnson.

Continuing, Johnson said: "I will do everything possible for Curley, whom I like very much, but I will not take a chance with the Mexican government. Dick Klegin, the local promoter, went the absolute limit to deliver me to Curley, even against Klegin's own financial interests. Other friends of Klegin here have worked equally hard, but my mind is made up and I will not change it. I have authorized Klegin to open negotiations with Curley to transfer the fight to Havana. I am sure it will draw five times as much money here as it would have at Juarez.

"Meanwhile I will remain in Havana, and am ready to take on Sam McVey and Colin Bell here for Klegin. We will first educate the Cuban public to real fighting and then pull off my fight with Willard.

"Havana looks like the greatest sporting city in the world. I am sorry for Curley, but he is in an impossible position. I have just cabled him declaring the fight off."

SIX HUNDRED CHRISTIANS COMPOSE GREAT GIDEON MARCH AT COLUMBUS, OHIO.

They Parade the Streets Headed by Fifty Voices on the Closing Night of a Successful Revival.

(By Rev. B. H. Burnett.)

COLUMBUS, Ohio—(Special)—Rev. F. G. Snelson, pastor of Mt. Vernon Ave. M. E. church, has just closed one of the most stirring and rendering revivals ever held among the colored churches of this city. After a campaign of seven weeks and being assisted by Mrs. M. C. Harris, a powerful gospel evangelist for the past three weeks, the result was conversions, 35 men, 54 women and 34 children, totaling 123. Sunday night the revival was brought to a close with a great Gideon march participated in with about 600 Christians and converts who led the regular church choir of 50 voices. They paraded Mt. Vernon and Champion avenues for many blocks and back to church. Everybody carried a lighted candle and joined in singing gospel hymns and oldtime southern melodies. Several thousand spectators witnessed the Gideon march and stood in reverential silence as the soldiers of Christ passed by. This is Dr. Snelson's second year at Mt. Vernon Ave. church. He highly recommends Evangelist Mrs. M. C. Harris. The new converts have been organized into a church club.

Church Club.—President, Mrs. Dr. Snelson; vice presidents, Bessie Haynes, Nettie Hicks, Minnie Wade, Lenora Harding; secretary, Minnie Lane, Mrs. Charity Darnell; treasurer, Thos. R. Johnson; city missions, Mrs. Bertha Dyson; special committee, Messrs. Ray Huse, Robt. Lane, Harry Donnell, Thos. Harding; general managers, Richard Hicks, James Martin, Allen Brown, Miss Laithia Buster, Fannie Reynolds, Helen Bradley.

The Columbus Choral Club. Rev. Dr. Davis, pastor Shiloh Baptist church, chorister of 100 voices, voted to give its Easter cantata for the benefit of the Mt. Vernon Ave. A. M. E. church, which will take place at the chamber of comerce, probably Easter Tuesday night. Mistress Helen Bolden, leading soprano, is due credit for securing this for Mt. Vernon church.

A public recital was tended the converts and the evangelist, Mrs. M. C. Harris, of Feb. 22. Addresses were made by Mrs. Dr. Snelson, who presided. Mrs. Essie Rickman, president of the Stewardess board, Mrs. Sophronia Eldridge, Mrs. Laura Watson, Rev. Mr. Harris of the mission, Rev. E. J. Wilson. Recitation by Mrs. Eva Johnson. It was a most delightful evening socially.

Mrs. David Allen, of 1328 Hawthorn street, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Laura Reynolds, of St. Clair avenue, entertained a bunch of old-time friends at luncheon Sunday afternoon at her residence.

The Dunbar Theater, owned by Mr. Samuel Clard, is now under his management. Picture shows will be on Sundays only.

Mr. Billy Smith, former manager of Dunbar theater, has secured a better position in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Joseph Courtney, of Springfield, O., district president of W. H. M. society, was called to this city to meet with the auxilliary of the W. H. M. society of the Columbus district of the Lexington conference M. E. She and husband, Rev. Courtney, P. E., were entertained at the residence of Mrs. Gardner, on Capitol street last week. Lunch was served to more than thirty guests.

Rev. J. Courtney, P. E., preached last Sunday at Eleventh St. church, M. E. Rev. J. W. White, of Hawthorn church, preached in the afternoon. Quite a number of visiting ministers present.

CAMDEN, ARK., NEWS.

(By Geo. W. Johnson.)

Mr. Joe Brown arrived on the 17th from Hot Springs, on a visit to see his mother, who has been sick for several weeks for which she seems to be a little improved this week.

Mrs. John Sculls of Eldorado, died February 16th. The funeral was preached at the Baptist church on the 17th. A large crowd of friends attended the funeral.

Rev. Springer, after a long spell of sickness, died February 16th. The funeral was preached at St. Paul Baptist church February 17th, and burial at Mt. Hebron cemetery.

Mrs. Nettie Piggee, of Gurdon, Ark., arrived on the 16th on a visit to her son, Robadore Steward.

Old man Pepper Williams entertained the Draymans' Club, Friday morning, February 19th. Every one seemed to enjoy it.

Mrs. Tommy Hunter and Miss Clemmy Rogers are visiting their mother, Mrs. Gray, this week.

The state missionary preached to a large audience on the 14th at Shiloh Baptist church. He preached from the 41st verse, 27th chapter Acts.

Aunt Joanna Petters, who has been sick for two years or more, is doing fine this week. Hope she will continue to improve.

The Ethiopia Province, No. 103 met at Mrs. McCollums, Wednesday evening, February 17th. They enjoyed a noble lecture from their grand deputy, Rev. R. P. Wilson, of Pine Bluff, Ark.

Mrs. H. Wade and caughter have moved to St. Louis.

NEWS OF PORTSMOUTH, O.

The A. M. E. Sewing Circle met at the home of Mrs. G. Starks on Thirteenth street, where they were entertained by the president, Mrs. M. Sloan. There were fourteen present and after business was transacted there was a two course lunch served by Thelma Starks.

Those on the sick list: Mr. William Ward, who has been very sick for the past two weeks, is no better. He is at the home of his uncles, on Eleventh street.

Mrs. Goins, on Twelfth street, has been sick for the past week, and is no better.

Mr. Sicks, the well known barber, of the Price barber shop, is on the sick list, but is some better.

Mrs. J. Davis, of Twelfth street, has been very ill, but is better.

Mr. Cliff Peters, of Seventh street, is trying to walk over everybody now because the stork left a big boy at his home.

The Sew and Sew Club met at the home of Mrs. W. White, of Fifteenth street, last Saturday afternoon. They had a very delightful time and finished a number of their very best work. Those present: Mrs. Mary Fossett, A. Fossett, C. Banks, N. Jones, C. Randall, E. M. Jentry, V. Penman, Mrs. J. White, I. Hollingsworth and Miss E. Jones. After a dainty two course luncheon they were entertained with music by Miss V. White, the daughter of the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Dier, of Columbus, are here. Mr. Dier is working for Mrs. J. Peebles, one of the best families in the city.

Howard Cooley, one of the popular young men, who has been employed as a porter at Wm. Haley's barber shop, has gone to Richmond, Va., to enlist in the U. S. navy.

William Kirk, 30, of Charlotte, N. C., and Miss Irene Bunch, 19, of this city, were granted a license to wed Saturday evening. Rev. J. Irwin officiated at the ceremony at the Reverend's home on Seventh street.

The social event was the entertainment of the Sew and Sew Club last Monday evening at the home of Mrs. J. J. Hollingsworth, on Third street. Piano music was rendered by Miss Cornute and Miss Turner. Mr. Penman played the trap drum. Fine vocal selections were given by Mr. G. Cornute, G. Fossett and J. Richardson. Games were played and on opening a valentine box much amusement was caused by the distribution of the valentines. The rooms were decorated with hearts and valentines and the favors were red and white hearts. The guests were Mesdames Penman, Randall, N. Jones, C. Banks, M. Fossett and Miss E. Jones, members. The guests included Misses L. Turner, G. Hollingsworth, G. Cornute, C. Cornute, Mesdames A. Woods, C. Garrett, Wm. Gooden, Messrs. K. Fossett, F. Penman, V. Penman, H. Randall, J. Hollingsworth, G. Fossett, E. M. Gentry, Miss J. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Ester May Fossett, Louise and Louella Hollingsworth.

The Mothers' Club gave an entertainment at the home of Mrs. J. Whitfield, on Ninth street, and they had a very delightful time. The meeting was very successful. The mothers are doing all that they can to better the conditions of our school and the city in which we live. This will make our boys and girls better. Let us lend a helping hand and do our part in helping when they call at the school house. Last Friday Rev. McCoomer and Wm. Haley made very interesting addresses to the children. Let us pray that we mothers and fathers do all we can to make it better for our children. We can if we will. So I hope that we will for it is up to us to make our race more successful. So whatever you can do and do please do well.

The Japanese entertainment given at the M. E. church of which Rev. McCoomer is pastor. The children were drilled to the minute by Miss P. Anderson, who is one of the best in the state when it comes to training not only in plays but every day in the school. There were thirty little ones from five to the age of twelve and they sang and marched for about one hour and a half, and she never spoke to them once during the exercise. The stage was decorated in flags, bands, flowers, Japanese parasols and drapery of red, white and blue. Prof. Anderson, the father of the young lady, send one of his pianos from his store. The church was packed from the stage to the door. They sold all of the refreshments and could have sold more. Members from all of our churches attended so the honorable pastor would be able to receive a good amount of money. May God bless him.

ORLANDO, FLA., NEWS NOTES.

Orange County Fair Great—Colored People's Department Praised by White Daily Paper.

(By Marcellus Henderson.)

Special to the Freeman.

For the first time in three months we had a perfect day here, last week, during the Orange County Fair. It is hard to understand, but it is true that we have had rains every week for twelve weeks, and during the Fair week we did not have a drop of water from above, but we have had lots of rain this week. .. Mr. J. A. Colyer was in charge of the Colored People's Department. .. The Colored People's Exhibit elicited the greatest approval. .. The South Florida Annual Conference of the A. M. E. church will convene Wednesday, February 24th, and besides the 200 ministers that belong to the Conference fifty or more visitors are expected. This is the Conference that elects delegates to the next General Conference, and interest in the election of delegates centers everything. There are more than fifty candidates for the positions of eight delegates, only eight can be elected, and the other forty-two must wait. Besides John Hurst, considered the most progressive Bishop we have ever had, is the Presiding Officer, and he will make good here, as he has at other Conferences in the State. Manager Ira T. Bryant, of the Sunday School Union, President Caldwell, of the A. C. E. League, and others general officers will be present. A great time is expected. .. Mr. Charlie Austin, an employe in the Colyer & Williams tailor shop, has been promoted from pressman in that shop to traveling salesman. Already he has made good by bringing in many new orders. .. Mr. H. Sharp, a well known cook, has opened a first class cafe at the corner of Church and Division streets. For the present he has Mr. Sam Bryant as his assistant. .. Mr. H. Jamison, who has been very ill, is up and about his business again. .. Mr. W. B. Berlack, for more than 20 years a railway mail clerk, and who has had several narrow escapes from death by wrecks, died Tuesday, February 16th, and his funeral was held at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Trusday, 18th. Mr. Berlack was highly connected. He was a Mason, an Odd Fellow and a member of the Baptist church. He was 59 years old. He leaves a wife, three sons and four daughters. One of his sons, L. Berlack, is in the mail service and the other, Paul Berlack, is a poet and musician. .. Miss Cora Gains, of Washington, D. C., who is spending the winter at Winter Park, a northern residential city four miles from Orlando, was in the city last Wednesday on a shopping trip. Miss Gains is much impressed with Orlando. .. Dr. J. B. Hughes, our surgeon, had a serious accident a few days ago, while on a trip to Kissimenee, and as a result he has a crippled arm, which has required the attention of Dr. Callahan. .. Mr. C. C. Hood, of Jacksonville, is in the city assisting W. H. Harris in selling Jacksonville real estate. .. Mr. Wm. Davis, brother of our popular barber, Mr. Geo. H. Davis, is in the city for a few days.

ARDMORE, OKLA.

(By Artis Maston.)

Mrs. Samuel O. Carter was in the city Saturday from Berwyn.

Mr. Earnest Wood has just returned from Oklahoma City and Guthrie.

Mrs. Dr. Smith made a flying trip over to Tulsa.

Mr. Stokes was in the city Friday from Marietta.

Mr. Ed. Roe had his cafe lighted with gas.

At the Dreamland Theater every Monday night Mr. Black is putting on from five to six reel feature pictures, in connection with two other good reels.

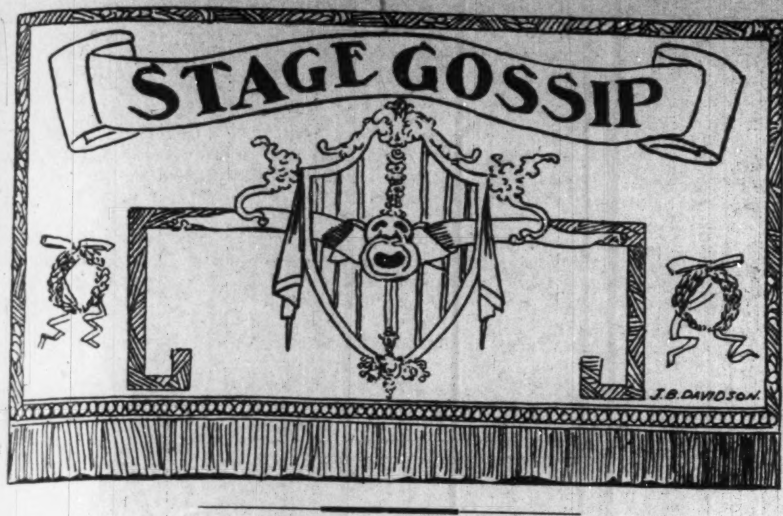
The home of Mr. Douglass burned Monday night. A goodly number of articles were saved. The citizens of Ardmore sympathize very much with Mr. and Mrs. Douglass in their mishap.

Mr. Ed. Dillard is home from Guthrie.

Owing to the beautiful days we are having the people of Ardmore are pushing their business and everybody seems to be looking over the hard times and every business is in a stir. The entertainment at the First Baptist church, given by Mr. M. P. Brunius, was a success.

The box supper given at the Warren Chapel M. E. church was a success.

The Freeman is now being read by all the business people of Ardmore.



Mack and Mack (Billy and Mary) just finished four weeks success at Jacksonville, Fla.

Caldwell and Wilson are at present with Lee's Creole Bells. They are having much success through Texas. Regards to our pals, Ricks and Talbert.

Robbins and Robbins had a successful two weeks' engagement at Clay Street Theatre, Annapolis, Md., with Washington to follow. Regards to all friends.

Brown and Demont are at Imperial Theatre at Alleghany, Pa., Grand Theatre, Woodlawn, Pa., the 19th and 20th, Casino Theatre, Washington, Pa., 22d, 23d and 24, Connersville, Pa., and Butler, Pa., to follow, on the Gus Sun Time.

Martin and Motely and Co., this week opened at the Boston Theatre, Roanoke, Va., for an indefinite stay. Cast of characters: Gulfport and Nugent, Gollie Gaston and Mary Bell Brown, Nip and Tuck and Lewis Liggins and Horris Heard.

The team of Taylor and Taylor, which will hereafter be known as A. J. and Daisy Taylor, opened at the Dixie Theatre, Atlanta, Ga., on the 15th, and are going good. They are featuring Mr. Taylor's "Phoebe Green." This team is always welcome in our city. They have been here several times, and have worked all of the good houses. They are good wire walkers. This team will soon be seen in the East and West.

ROCKWELL'S SUNNY SOUTH IN MICHIGAN.

The J. C. Rockwell Sunny South company is playing with success throughout the state of Michigan.

GILPIN AND WOOD ARE A HIT EVERYWHERE.

Charles S. Gilpin, Great Character Comedian, Yet a Success.

Special to The Freeman.

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 26.—Charles S. Gilpin, the well known character comedian, of Gilpin and Wood, is here at the Pekin theater this week, where he is a decided success. The Wood-Gilpin act has been a success, so far, wherever it has appeared.

NOTICE TO PERFORMERS PLAYING TEXAS—KEEP AWAY FROM FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

The proprietor will book you in his house for two weeks at a price you can't make. Then he will book another act over you, no matter how good you make, in fact, he will not pay the price. The board and room in this town is $6.50 per week, and the salary is so small that you can't make expenses. So performers beware of Fort Worth. Don't play the town. Keep away from that Jew at the Grand Theatre.

Joe Golphin.

J. C. MILES, 403 WEST 16TH PLACE INDIANAPOLIS, IND., WRITES.

I just received a letter from one of our brother troopers, Lake Fox, who is now lying in a hospital at Washington, D. C., very sick, but claims to be improving. Now he does not state in his letter that he wanted your aid, but requested me to publish this article in our old standby, The Freeman, as he speaks as though it will be of great consolation to hear from any of his many friends. Address: Lake Fox, care Freedman's Hospital, Washington, D. C., Ward 8.

MISTER RAGTIME ENTOUR AGAIN.

Irwin C. Miller and His Mister Ragtime Company are in their third week at Memphis, offering this week Mr. Miller's latest play, "Broadway Rastus." The company consists of 12 artists as follows: Irvin C. Miller, Miss Esther Bigeou, Doe Doe Green, Miss Mamie Ashfort, Carl Dryden, Aaron Gates, Quintard Miller, Miss Lottie Turner, Miss Frances Woods, Edward Marshall and Elwood Brown. The last four were late of the Black Patti company.

MISS LULU COATES WITH KEANE AND JOHNSON MAKE GREAT HIT HERE.

Lulu, of Watermelon Trust Fame, As Clever as Ever.

Miss Lulu Coates, an oldtime favorite hereabouts, appeared here in an act with Keane and Johnson, the first half of the week at the Lyric in a rousing good act. Miss Coates was a house guest at Mr. and Mrs. Elwood C. Knox's residence and was royally entertained during her stay by her large number of Indianapolis friends. The Keane, Coats & Johnson act has been enjoying much prosperity despite the dull business according to Miss Coates, being successful in keeping busy all the time. Miss Coates looks the picture of health and seems to be the same "Lulu" of Watermelon Trust days.

BERT A. WILLIAMS AND FOLLIES MEMBERS ENTERTAINED BY TURPIN.

Strong Bill Makes Special Performance at Booker Washington Air Dome, St. Louis.

Special to The Freeman.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 26.—Last week a professional performance was given at the Booker Washington theater for Mr. Bert A. Williams, of the Ziegfeld Follies. It was well patronized by the general public and greatly enjoyed by Mr. Williams and some of the members of the Follies company, who accepted Mr. Turpin's invitation. The bill was excellent and one would have to travel far to find an equally diversified bill, presented entirely by colored performers. The acts appearing on the bill were: Bowman & Burnett, Davis & Greer, Gilpin & Wood, Virginia Liston, Tolliver & Chappelle, Kelley & Davis and Tim and Hester Moore, acts appearing in the order given. After the matinee, Mr. Turpin entertained the entire company at a beefsteak dinner at the Silver Grill.

AT THE DOUGLASS THEATRE, MACON, GA.

(By Horace Woodard Drummer.)

Such a program as the Douglass is offering this week cannot be considered other than the very cream of the market in attractions and pictures.

The main attraction of course is The Carter Trio and their company. All who have seen and heard this trio in days past have pronounced them the very best they ever heard. However, the trio is not the same as when you last heard them. There has been added four other members, and this change has worked wonders. While they were in the past the best ever, they are now better than the best, never been equaled before, and their up-to-the-minute comedy constitutes an attraction that is par excellence.

The first half of the week they presented "What Fools We Mortals Be." Mr. Carter deserves much ceredit in staging this play.

GEO. BARRETT WRITES FROM I. C. O'BRIEN'S GEORGIAN MINSTRELS NO. I.

We are still in winter quarters, in dear old Georgia, the home of the pine trees. We are right on the coast where we can get plenty of sea food and where the sun shines most every day. We are now rehearsing the show for the last week, and will give our first performance of the season here at Brunswick, Ga., February 27th. We expect to have the largest and best ministrel show on the road this season. Our monster parade, in all its grandeur, will look like a big circus parade. First in line is our fife and drum corps, second, Jim Green and his rube band, of 8 pieces; third, our strutters, better known as the red coat boys; fourth, Prof. G. W. Ayers and his concert band of 15 pieces; fifth, our magnificent joy wagon, with the funny boys; sixth, and the only one with a minstrel, our calliope. Most all the old boys of last season are back again, and looking fine. Col. I. C. O'Brien has furnished our stage manager, Jim Green, and his wife, Ida, who has been with the Georgian Ministrels for the past six years, some new eight sheet pictorial lithographs, for this season. Up the hill keep climbing Jim, you are on the road to success, now heads up, get me. We have with us, this season, some of the best musicians and performers in the business: Arthur Prince, the boy with the artistic hoop rolling act; Prince Ali Mona, the high caste Hindoo Magician and fire king; Mrs. Lucy Young, the girl with the big voice; Sam Jones, Ike Young, Mrs. Emma Barrett, Paul Steel, Mrs. Ruth Prince, the lady trombonist; Geo. Crump, late of the Florida Blossoms; Warren Thorn, Jas. Ward, Claud Mcpherson and John Forrester. Hello Lockwood Lewis. What is the trouble? The bunch sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

EDWARD SCRANTON MEETING SUCCESS.

Booking Afro-American Film Service—Will Visit Indianapolis and Other Western Cities.

Mr. Edward Scranton, special representative of The Afro-American Film Company of New York, and one of the largest concerns of its kind in the world, will come to this city next week to secure booking for his company's service, while here. Recently the Afro-American Film Company has been actively engaged in making new comedies, dramas and special motion pictures subjects portrayed by America's greatest colored actors and actresses, that are said to be a sensation everywhere shown. Mr. Scranton is meeting with wonderful success in booking the service all along on his western tour. He will be the guest of Mr. Elwood C. Knox while here.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT—WEEK OF FEBRUARY 22, 1915.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theatre, L. W. Henry, manager: Chas. Anderson, Stevens and Stevens; Howard Theatre, Andrew J. Thomas, manager: Bessie K. Payne, Sims & Thompson, Nichols & Jones, Criswell & Bailey.

Baltimore, Md.—Lincoln Theatre, Morris Flaks, manager: Washburn & Piper.

Richmond, Va.—Hippodrome Theatre, W. J. Coulter, manager: Allen & Wiggins, Van & Clovette.

Roanoke, Va.—Boston Theatre, C. L. Andrews, manager: Martin & Motley Stock Co.

Richmond, Va.—Dixie Theatre, Chas. Somma, manager: Isola Ringgold, Gant & Perkins.

Philadelphia, Pa.—New Standard Theatre, John T. Gibson, manager: Bowman & Burnette, other acts.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Star Theatre, Abe Minsky, manager: Stock.

Detroit, Mich.—Vaudette Theatre, C. L. Dudley, manager: Stock.

Louisville, Ky.—Ruby Theatre, Wilhoit & Collier, manager: The Goodlettes.

Kindly mention in your vaudeville route Epps and Loretta at the National Theatre, Corona, L. I., 15th, 16th and 17th; Jefferson Theatre, New York City, 18th, 19th, 19th and 21st.

Chicago Weekly Review

By Sylvester Russell.

THE PROBLEM OF CHARITY.

Monster Emergency Fund Proposition to Help Invalid Actors and Street Cripples to Be Established by the Critic Whose Life Has Been Burdened by Paupers.

The public will probably not be surprised to note that the pressure of poverty among invalid actors and cripples in Chicago has been so great that I am now forced to establish an independent fund at the expense of the public in order to come to the rescue of those who need charitable aid by human demand. I have given no formal notice of this new venture. I will establish the fund myself and select my own board of trustees as the only executive autnority in control. Actors are not to dictate to us. We will do all the dictating ourselves. We have seen too much of an actors' weak limit as a business man. The first thing I will do is to confer with Mr. Dan Jackson to try to obtain the Pekin theatre. The next thing I will do will be to confer with the men I have picked out for trustees and committee. Their names are as follows: George L. Cook, Dan Jackson, Frank P. George, Harry C. Jenkins and Billy Williams. The show to be given will be the highest priced quality entertainment ever given and the program which I will personally direct will begin on time, will not be tedious and will be carried out exactly as advertised. I will select the artists and musicians and no actors who come dropping in will be permitted to be on the program. Every artist and musician who appears on the program must be a volunteer. Whatever the committee will do for anybody connected with the performance will be decided upon after the next committee meeting; but there would be no favoritism shown whatsoever. I was embarrassed not long ago when an actor asked me why I wear the C. V. B. A. pin, that the organization is defunct, etc. I did not reply by telling him I wear the pin because the organization was established after I had advocated charity measures, that the organization had made me an honorary member and Chicago deputy and when an actor died in Chicago, they had responded to my demands for funds to bury him. So the Colored Vaudeville Benevolent Association of New York can always be looked upon as the best and only colored actors' society that ever existed and if they had adopted my policies they would be in existence yet. The fact that an actor once absconded with the funds and that poor management and grafting existed does not hurt the worthy and honorable cause of the association. I must now regard Anthony Byrd as the best president they had and blame the actors themselves for not putting in honest and brainy men after the death of Frank Clermont. Every last actor fought my policies or supporting an actors' organization by methods which they could sustain. This time I will do the dictating about what is best for the weak and pauper actors to a brainy committee and not to traveling actors at all. Charles Davis, who barely got home alive from Europe, and George Williams at present, are each a financial burden on individuals when actor funds should be supporting them. The question of Davis' recovery which means medical aid and rest cure in a sanitarium, is now up. When George Williams asked me for money to get his medicine, recently, I had to refer him to the county hospital. My pockets have been drained out by giving two bits to paupers and I have become as ragged as a jaybird. Even the little gold diamond studded pin I wear was only a gift of honor from a friend and every time I wear it, some half-criminal friend tries to steal it.

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Glenn & Brogsdale, Big Hit at the Grand Theatre.

Whenever a team can go from a small stage to a large one and make people scream still more, they have the goods, and Glenn & Brogsdale made the hit tbat demonstrated that there is no team of blackface talking comedians who are fine dancers, even on the big time circuits, that can duplicate their ability to create laughter. The white acts included J. W. Barber and lady in a sketch-comedy; Dawson, Lanigan & Covert were very good dancers; Nathano Brothers did roller and grotesque skating. The wonderful novelty of the evening was the Delfino, Pecheco troupe of South American tumblers, wire pumpers and human jugglers unexcelled. The second half of last week had Harrison Stewart and Company, who changed his bill to "Private Bullethead," a vaudeville sketch which only proved one fact. Harrison Stewart is now the funniest straight comedy star of his race and that is why he draws regardless of what he produces. The white acts included the Withat troupe, Maidie DeLong, Mintz & Palmer and Frankleno & Violetta, all of whom were fair. Honsley & Nicholas and Rogers & Wiley opened on Thursday night. Harrison Stewart will head next week's bill in "Fun in a Blootblack Parlor."

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At the New Monogram.

Owing to the Eighth Regiment ball and opening of the new armory, I did not get a chance to review the show at this house. String Beans and his wife Sweetie May, entered upon their second week. Fisher & Cross in a dancing sketch. Tim Moore and his wife Hester, in a dancing sketch and the Parlow Sisters, a white team, was insistently on the bill, which is all right if Manager Martin Klein can book a good colored team each time down town as an equivalent. The white managers need them, but I insist, that they behave. But as for the white public, they are sure to like them.

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The Moving Picture Houses.

The States—Washington's birthday had big business. "The Avalanche" will be seen Saturday and W. A. Brady's "Alias Jimmy Valentine."

The Lincoln—"Cards Never Lie" was last Sunday's attraction in gypsy stories.

The Pekin—In spite of drizzling rain, the Pekin was full last Sunday since the people have discovered that the Motts estate now has the house.

The Phoenix—This house, which always has crowded matinees, will have "Hazards of Helen" series Saturday, and "The Man on the Box" Sunday.

The Fountain—This house will have war stories Saturday and Klaw & Erlanger's "The Power of the Press" Sunday.

The Washington—"The Master Key" series in two parts will be seen Saturday and "The Swindler" Sunday.

The Atlas—This house at 47th street has now become popular. "The Evil Eye" Saturday and "The King of Beggars" will be Sunday's attraction.

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polite and everything is run on an excellent system of order.

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The new Elite No. 2 had its regular crowds up and down stairs and the old Elite was also full. Al Russell's grill room couldn't seat the people to hear Charley Young, the singer. It was quite the same at The Panama where the finest string instrumental corps of singers in the country are heard. The Richelieu, formerly the Pompei, at 20 and 22 East 31st street, where high class actors assemble, is doing fine.

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Stage Notes and Stroll News.

James Audrey Bailey has joined hands with Clarence Payton, a similarity.

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William Howerton was banqueted by the Dunbar Club on his recent visit to Omaha, Neb.

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Jerome & Lewis are on the Butterfield time; they opened at the Majestic, Kalamazoo, Mich., February 18th.

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The Jones Athletic Club is to occupy the old quarters of the old Douglass Club, at 2819 State street. Their aim is to cultivate high class moral and physical athletics.

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Andrew Copeland had Harrison Stewart, H. C. Starrett and the critic as his guests at the Richlieu for a few moments of recreation.

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Eugene Mann's wonderful ideas exploded last Sunday when he boomed his candidate, Max J. Schmidt by having a man pass around cards with the picture of an old colored woman with a head handkerchief on, smoking a clay pipe. Mann has a wonderful head.

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Shelton Brooks and Clarence Bowen were at the Majestic last week and made a big impression. Bowen, who imitates great tenor singers in grand opera and Brooks, who is similar to Bert Williams, but original in his own comedy creations, set an awful pace for the white actor who followed.

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The Yam-a-goo-mah's gave a matinee entertainment last Sunday arranged by the Nobles of the Shriners at their temple, 3214 Forest avenue. There were a few Daughters of Iris out. The Pekin trio, Noble Bill Cole, Sam Arnold and Robert Moton entertained and by special request George L. Cook recited from Dr. Jenkyl and Mr. Hyde, also Soldier of the Cross. The affair was an enjoyable treat.

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Henderson Smith, manager of Ten Dark Knights, arrived home from the East last week. He was ill and his wife is reported to be ill also at their home, 3232 Calumet avenue. George B. Anderson has also arrived. The company has closed and John Rucker is gone into vaudeville. Jack Smith will probably be the star if the big act goes out again this season.

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Just to exemplify how foolish some white people are who are prejudiced, the manager of a theatre at Jeanesville, Wis., cancelled the date for Andrew Tribble's Big Possum Hollow University act, when he found out the star is colored. Jeanesville is one Western city where they love the colored people and the citizens msised a great treat. Certainly that manager might have known that colored act booked by the Affiliated time would be a money attraction.

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Mamie Wilson, of the Wilson Trio, known in private life as Mrs. Harry Johnson, cornet player at the Washington theatre, died at her late residence, 3657 Dearborn street, after a stroke of paralysis, February 17th, at the age of 23. Miss Wilson was an alto singer and was born in Newport, Ky., and appeared last just one month ago with her mother and sister at the old Monogram theatre. The family consisted of her father, John Wilson, and brother, John Jr., his mother Cecil Johnson and sister Lulu, besides her husband, all of whom survive her. The funeral took place at Ebenezer church Saturday morning, February 20th, at 10 a. m. Rev. Thomas, who officiated, spoke touchingly in modern science of the flesh, from whence we came and back to dust to which we must shortly go. Emma Haskins sang a sacred solo and the congregation sang "O Think of the Home Over There." The occasion was especially sad owing to the youth and popularity of the singer. The pall bearers were Ralph Anderson, Clarence Edison, M. V. White and Fred Newman. The floral offerings consisted of a harp with a dove from her mother and offerings from Alan & George, Campbell, Kellmer and Perboner, Mrs. Lewis and son, Nelson Peppers, Mrs. Alice Colbert, Mrs. Erskine Tate, Little Harry and Will Thomas and Billy Starks who gave a wreath. Interment was in Lincoln cemetery.

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The Ethereal Love.

Were I a winged Saint, were I,
And I could scale the vineyards of
The earth, right up into the sky
Where sunshine and the angels meet;
If I could greet the Ethereal Love,
My rapture would be complete.

If parting ways were like the clouds,
When, after rain, would disappear,
And leave behind no deathly shrouds,
To cast a gloom to grieve about;
Then I'd be happy in the sphere
Of Ethereal Love, beyond all doubt.

THE PASSING SHOW IN WASHINGTON.

(By Ar-W-Tee.)

A testimonial for Rufus G. Byars, the popular house manager at the Howard, is being projected by prominent citizens. He deserves the recognition that his host of friends plan to extend to him.

The local managers are said to be preparing a "Blacklist" of songs and jokes that belong to the age of Methuselah, and any player attempting to work them off will be promptly "canned." Keep your eyes skinned for the hook!

Those up-to-date "fun merchants," Simms and Thompson, are held over for a third week at the Howard, and have a new act that compares favorably with the best things they have done in their long career of "chasing the blues away." Simms is a comedian, unto the manor born, and Thompson is one of the handsomest and most talented "straight men" in the business. They always "go big" here.

S. Tutt Whitney's "Smart Set" is booked for the Howard, the week of March 29th. This popular company will do a record business during its coming engagement.

There is sunshine again in the box office at the Howard. Miss Gertrude M. Ryan, the affable house treasurer, is back at her post after a serious illness covering two or three weeks.

Misses Laura Bailey and Ora Criswell are heading a fine bill this week at the Howard, and their friends are turning out in force. It seems natural to see the clever artists together again. They are stopping at "Aunt Jane's."

The Ver Valin Trio, a fine team of singers, dancers and acrobats; Simms and Thompson, in a screaming farce; Edgar Connors and Cecil Mann, in a classy act that smacked Broadway, and Arthur Allen and his inseparable violin, with Jack Wiggins, the "Alabama Dream," all made individual hits at the Howard last week—one of the strongest bills of the season.

Those lively girls, Mabel Gant and Bert Perkins, and Gus Baker, Van and Clevette, entertaining sketch artists, comprised the entertaining offering at Dudley's last week. Big Houses were the rule, and Manager Lew Henry wore a capacious smile at the door, welcoming the crowds.

The Griffin Sisters put in last at the Standard, in Philadelphia. They expect to be "at home" to their friends in a few days, at 1907 1-2 9th street, northwest.

The Martin-Motley Stock Company is "cleaning up" at the Boston Theatre, Lynchburg, Pa.

Henry Jones, late of the Martin-Motley company, has resumed his work in vaudeville, and is on the Virginia wheel of the Dudley circuit.

Mrs. Florine Miles Tyson Scott, who filled the position of treasurer with great credit prior to her marriage, is in the box office at the Howard this week, substituting for Miss Gertrude H. Ryan, who is confined to her home by a serious illness. It looks like old times to see the charming Mrs. Scott handing out the tickets, at Manager Thomas' "playhouse beautiful."

In a few days Manager Thomas will announce a new wrinkle at the Howard. In response to popular demand, he will introduce a dancing feature, allowing his patrons to indulge in the "light fantastic" an hour each evening before the supper show, and an hour or so after the evening performances. The capacious stage is being overhauled and new flooring is being put in and waxed, for the future dancing. As a tribute to race workmanship, Mr. Thomas is having the floor repairing done by students in carpentry, from the Armstrong Manual Training School, who are handling the contract under the supervision of Prof. J.D. Baltimore, director of woodworking department of the school. Later, it is Mr. Thomas' intention to rearrange the first three rows of the balcony into fashion boxes, with provision for special parties, and will change the angle of the regular boxes to afford a better view of the stage.

The introduction of the "country store" last Saturday night, at Dudley's Theatre, was a pronounced success. The prizes were presented by Mr. S. H. Dudley, himself, in his own unique fashion, and the crowd enjoyed his comedy quite as much as if his act had been a part of the show. The capital prize each Saturday night is a full Sunday dinner, with turkey, chicken and all the trimmings.

The American, formerly leased by Dudley and Thomas, has been reopened under white management, and is again the Lyceum. Wrestling seems to be the piece de resistance. The prediction is that its new career will be short lived.

The Howard is now in the hands of the "Thomas Theatre Company," a joint stock company, in which the four brothers of Manager A. J. Thomas are interested. The plan is to buy the building outright.

Manager Lew W. Henry is a composer of merit as well as a playwright. He is about to place a number of his original productions on the market.

Lyllyn Browne and Billy DeMont have been playing a successful engagement in Pittsboro, and may make Philadelphia before returning to their home, in this city.

The Five Musical Byrons are coming to the Howard.

The Foraker is struggling along under a number of handicaps. The house needs a capable manager.

The Howard management is negotiating with Henry S. Creamer, the noted New York dancing master, with a view of having him come down and give instructions in the modern dances, for the benefit of the Howard Theatre's patrons.

The profession will regret it if the continuance of Mrs. Daisy W. Henson's poor health should lead her to give up her popular Actor's Home, at 649 Florida Avenue. It is hoped she may be induced to remain in business, as her cosy house has become one of the recognized institutions of the town in theatrical circles.

Romeo L. Dougherty is in St. Thomas, B. W. I., called there by the critical illness and death of his mother. He has the sincere sympathy of the profession.

William Hodgkins is serving as stage manager at Dudleys, and is making himself generally useful at the 7th street headquarters of the Dudley Theatrical Enterprise. He is a versatile genius, and will fit in any where.

One of the cleverest and cleanest acts that Dudley's Theatre has put on for many moons is that presented last week by Misses Lulu Lawson and Magnolia Brown, who plays "kids" to a queen's taste, and are artists with a capital "A." Miss Lawson has had ample stage experience, although young, having been a member at various times of the William and Walker's "Mr. Lode of Coal," Cole and Johnson's "Red Moon" and the Pekin Theatre, Chicago, stock companies. She is a student of literature and music, as well as an actress of quality, and takes an interest in civic affairs, as her visits to the sessions of Congress, at the Capitol, and the Congressional Library while here, will attest. Miss Brown is a captivating singer and character comedian, and serves as an admirable foil for Miss Lawson's ingenue impersonations. The team, by mutual agreement, seperated here, however, Miss Lawson is going to Philadelphia, where she will join Mr. Earl Walton for a musical act, and Miss Brown went to Richmond, to resume work with her former partner, Miss Antia Ramsey.

FROM RICHARD AND PRINGLES' MINSTRELS.

(By Pearl Moppin.)

The famous "Georgias" are still in Idaho and business is good. Good territory for any colored show. Have made several changes in show. New ones coming and old ones going. Also some new ones going back. The old show has made the pace pretty warm. Pearl Moppin writes facts. I am now doing a musical hoop rolling act. I am the originator of this kind of style of musical hoops. The first on any stage. Closing here soon. Look out for Moppin, the musical hoop roller. Regards to all. Chicken Reel Beaman is still doing a monologue and it is an A No. 1. The show now has four monologue artists: Chicken Reel Beaman, Clarence Powell, Ed Tolliver and David D. Smith.

THE GAY THEATRE, CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA.

Azzie Graves, Mgr.

This week finds the John H. Smith Stock Co. here. After a successful week they are a hold over for next week. The stock company consists of the following people: John H. Smith, mgr.; Johnny Jones, comedian; Mamie Green, the bronze beauty; Helen Thompson and Troxler and Troxler, comedy singers and talkers, also Elizabeth Van Clay, chair controller and coutortionist. In connection with vaudeville, I am running the best feature pictures. Acts headed this way please write. When in Charlotte you can get The Freeman at the Gay Theatre. Azzie Graves, Mgr.

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The Indianapolis Freeman can be found on sale at the Gateway News Agency Bureau, 3211 LaClede Ave., W. A. Price, 1408 Chestnut St., W. R. Lageman, 2353 Market St., J. H. Revels, 2319 Market St., St. Louis, Mo.

The American Negro Academy held its eighteenth annual meeting in Washington, D. C., last week.

GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATRE, PHILADELPHIA.

Gibson's New Standard Theatre has established a reputation for its fine vaudeville acts, but it has been many a day since an audience has been stirred to such enthusiastic outbursts of applause as were the audiences of last week. There was not one of the six acts in the program that was not of the most interesting character and encores, sincere and prolonged, were given every one from Washburne and Piper. At the opening to the De Dios Comedy Circus of animals, Ethelyn and Luke, the Egyptian vampire and Passion death dance easily won all honors as the headliners. The special Oriental scenery with the potpourri of Egyptian dances caught on immediately. The languid indifference of the actress was fine. She wore revealing gowns that seem in some cases to hang upon the merest thread, but every thread, be it recorded, was stanch and true. Charles Anderson, in character impersonations, were good, especially his cooing and yodling songs, which kept the audience at fever heat. The Griffin Sisters were full of "tabasco, pep and ginger" as they moved around the stage. They wore a number of fine costumes and their act is gorgeously staged. They are old favorites and kept up a continuous riot of fun. Granstaff and Davis featured on brass, the slide trombone and the playing of two cornets at one time kept up an added interest in the program. Washburne & Piper have established themselves in high favor at this theatre. Washburne is droll and amusing and there is fine assistance from Miss Piper, a graceful exponent of the modern dance. She has an attractive personality, and she sings well, while Washburne is one of the most entertaining and obliging of comedians, with a fund of eccentricities that are a constant surprise and there is sentiment, too, to accentuate the amusing aspects of the act. The show closed with the comedy circus, a bucking mule. They all show good training and share with the honors in this generous bill.

SPOT LIGHT RAY.

Mr. Frank Montgomery and Miss Florence McClain are at the Lyric this week. Mr. McClain is without a doubt a very progressive performer and this little miss with him, is some dancer. Moral: Always do something different from the rest. Charles Marshall.

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ROUTE.

Smart Set Company with Salem Tutt Whitney—Buffalo, N. Y., Majestic Theatre week of March 1.

Richard & Pringle's Minstrels—Salt Lake City, Utah, March 1-2-3; Lehi, 4; Spanish Fork, 5; Provo, 6.

Huntington's Minstrels—Alexandria, La., March 1-2; Bunkie, 3-4; Eunice, 5-6.

Brown's Tennessee Minstrels—Pollock, South Dakota, March 1-2-3; Ashby, 5-6.

Jack Powell's Band with "In Old Kentucky"—Indianapolis, Ind., March 1-2-3; Dayton, Ohio, 4-5-6.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Anderson, R. J.	Moore, Jackie (boxer)
Arnett, Chas.	Medley, Percy
Alexander, Edw.	Murphy, Bert
Burke, L. R.	Nichols, Frank
Bosan, Alonzo	McPheters, James
Banks, Jesse	Price, Tom
Butler, Billie	Pennell & Holden
Brown, Herman	Prince, A. L.
Banks, Chas.	Pugsley, H. H.
Cox, A. F.	Peoples, Amos A.
Cooper, Grant	Prosser, Reese
Daniels, Lyons	The Pattersons.
Daniel Sam Mc.	Parker, Elix
Evans, Sam	Polson, Dillion
Edmonds, Robert L.	Pugh, Wm.
Eldridge, W. L.	Parker & Wiggins
Easton, John	Reid, Connors
Earle, Harry J.	Shackelford, J. A.
Earle, Robert	Southard, Harry
Everly, Ulysses	St. Clair, Harry
Fansel, Frank	Stevens, Tommy
Freels, Eugene	Stamper, Geo.
Green, Chas. H.	Streety, Willie.
Goodlette, W. J.	Turner, Hugh
Gilliard, Amos	Thompson Dana
Glazier's Jubilee Singers.	Tobias, J. H.
Hughes, Altrus	Thompson, Jack.
Hull, Harry	Turner Melvin (Kid)
Hopper, Hamp.	Tonsiel, Billie C.
Johnson Elwood.	Worthington, Harry
Johnson, Bennie	Walton, E. L.
Jackson, Ross H.	Wyer, Jr., Ed
King, H. H.	Williams, Fred
Lilliard & Liliard	White, R. C.
Lee Pearl (telegram)	Washington, H. B.
Mikell, Eugene	White, W. H.
Mills Billie.	Wallace, R. T.
MacWorthin, Dan	Watkins, Grant
Miles, Rae	Washington, T.

Ladies' List.

Bradford, Janette.	Payton, Mrs. H.
Brown, Mrs. Cleo M.	Taylor, Maggie
Queen, Dora	Thomas, Miss Bonnie B.
Cox, Miss D. M.	Redmond, Della
Crosby, Marjorie	Stern, Mrs. G.
Eddington, Bessie.	Singer, Dorothea
Edwards, Tom	Slovall, Mrs. Millie
Harrison, Maggie	Sanders, Gertrude
Henderson, Mrs. T.	Thompson, Lizzie
Johnson, Miss Beatrice.	VanClay, Elizabeth
LaVine, Louise	Wilson, Miss Ruth
McCoy, Viola	Whitman, Alberta
Murdock, Hazel	Webster, Alma.
Murphy, Elenora	Walter Miss Helen
Neilson, Lucile	Wells, Emma
Preston, Mattie	

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What are you doing with your spare time. Or to make the interrogation more personal, we should ask what am I doing with my spare time? Truthfully speaking, there is no such thing as spare time. Every moment is precious; there are none to spare. Time wasted can never be regained. When we awake in the morning we should have some definite plan for every moment of the twenty-four golden hours. They should be consistently divided and apportioned into hours for work, recreation, food and slumber.

"I don't know what to do with myself." Have you ever heard that expression? Have you ever been guilty of making it yourself? That is the remark of persons without an aim, no definite object in life. They belong to the rolling stones, never acquiring anything or doing anything really worth while. Such persons in show business will try vaudeville for a time without making any impression, then they will go with a road show, and before they are half way acquainted with its workings they drop off to try a stock company; there they are very likely to find the work to strenuous and they will be found isolated vaudeville, and then they sink into obscurity, all because they did not know what to do with their time.

Boys and girls in the profession, for the most part, waste entirely too much time. In the first place, they sleep too much, or not enough. With a road show the performance requires about 3 hours daily. We will say that rehearsals and time necessary for preparing things for the performance will embrace another hour, making 4 hours a day for working, leaving 12 hours for study and recreation and 8 hours for sleep.

It is easily possible for every chorus girl and boy to devote one-half hour daily to voice culture, another half hour to the study of music, and an hour to practice in the dancing and declaiming. How many do this? I suggest that every boy and girl who reads this article give this method of employing ones time a trial. At the end of six months whoever tries it will be so surprised and gratified at the good results they will forever regret the time previous to the experiment two hours. What a short time to devote to the improvement of your professional work, yet there are very few who give two hours daily to practice and study. Now then what are we going to do with the other 10 hours left us. I know what most of us do with them, so do you. We waste them when we might be brightening our intellects by reading good books, studying the English and other languages, becoming acquainted with the sciences, and in other ways preparing ourselves against the time when our failing faculties will place us in the "has-been" class.

The man or women with no object has too much time. It becomes a drag. The hardest thing they have to do is spend their superfluous time. But the man or woman with a well defined plan for their life's work finds time all too short. A business man sitting at his desk must have an immediate answer to an important question from another busy man across town, or perhaps in another near by town. Neither has time to leave his desk. This is the reason for the long and short distance telephones. When the distance is longer, and there is no time to be wasted on steam cars or steamships, time may be saved by using the telegraph or the cable. Streetcars, automobiles and bicycles are only time saving inventions. Every year, every day, every hour the value of time is being more appreciated. When one stops to consider the thousands, pehaps millions, of years this world has been in existence, and the billions of people that have inhabited it before we came into being, the threescore and ten years alloted to us is but a pulse beat in the bosom of time.

Time is given to us by God, and we must give an accounting for every moment. There is no chance to be absent. No excuses will be accepted for incompetency or forgetfulness. He demands that we do our best every moment that we are here, and according as we discharge our duty, so shall be our reward when time dissolves into eternity.

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The Old Timer.

A middle aged man, or what is often called a middle aged man, meaning a man between the years of 45 and 55, walked dejectedly down a little side street, opened the door of a small six-room house, where he had been paying rent for 15 years, entered the little hallway, hanged his hat on the rack; his tired feet dragged his weary body into the tiny parlor, and there he flung himself upon a much used davenport. His wife entered the room with a smile of welcome upon her face. Seeing her husband's forlorn appearance the smile vanished instantly and was replaced by a look of tender solicitude.

"How did you make out today John," she asked.

"Nothing doing Mary," answered the man.

"Did you show them your reference? Did you tell them that you had been employed by one firm for more than 15 years? Did you tell them that you Had never been late or absent; that you did your owrk like a piece of well oiled machinery; that you were sober an honest and as steady as a clock?"

"All that, and more."

"Well, why did they deny your employment?"

"Some of them would look at my fast graying hair, others asked my age. From all I was given the impression that I was to old."

"Too old!" excaimed the women indignantly, "Too old! how dare they say such a thing of you! Gray hairs at one time were regarded as a badge of honorable service. No man feared growing old in the employment of an honest man. But that day has passed. Long years of faithful service and graying hair will no longer protect a man from discharge or the humiliation of seeing a younger and less experienced man take his place. What is coming over the world, and the people in it?"

"Mary," said the man, and the tone of his voice caused her to nestle at his side and clasp one of his hands in both her own. "Mary,' he repeated slowly, "ever since they handed me my discharge, saying only that a younger man was to take my place, I have been doing a lot of thinking. This is an age of young men—"

"But you are not old," the woman protested.

"In years I am considered a middle aged man, nevertheless, I am an old-timer. I know now that years do not make a man old or young. I am an old-timer because I have lost my enthusiasm. I am no longer ambitious. My methods are old and my ideas are antiquated. I am like a piece of old machinery that, having served its time and place, is replaced by a newer and improved invention. I have failed to keep pace with the times. Men at the head of great business enterprises are no longer satisfied to have men in their employ perform their work like automatums. They demand skill, sobriety and reliability, but above all intelligence and enthusiasm with a reasonable amount of ambition. Ambition will cause an intelligent man to think ahead of his position ,always trying to improve upon the thing he is doing. He will experiment; he will not be confined in his labors by any prescribed set of rules or precedents. His enthusiasm will cause him to search and study, and in this way he adds to his efficiency and is therefore more valuable to his employer. The old-times discrys every new invention. He is opposed to all innovations, combats every new idea. He lives in the past and thrives upon the ashes of his ancestors. He is always saying 'the old way is good enough for me.' Young men with new ideas are upstarts and must be crushed. The old-times is the clog that obstructs the wheels of progress. The old farmer, who, after working hard the greater part of his life and by economizing, found himself independent at the age of 70, then threw his family and friends into hysterics by calmly announcing that he meant to complete the college course that penury compelled him to abandon at the age of 25. Though 70 years old, that farmer was no old-timer. The blacksmith, who at the age of 40 determined to study Greek, and pinned his lessons on the wall of the shop so that he might read them while pumping the bellows, and who by diligent and persistent study became an authority upon the same. That man was not an old-timer.

"Mary," continued the man, "I am an old-times. I have been moving along in a rut, lacking energy and ambition to be anything other than what I am. We have been paying rent in this house for 15 years. I should now own this house or another like it. I have never seriously aspired or strived to rise above my present position. I am an old-timer, and they mean to push me into the discard.

"They will never do that John. It is in you to make a fight, and you are going to do it. You are going to start right now and take your rightful place among the fighters. It is never too late. You are going to take the little money we have saved and start a little business of our own, and then we will soon have that little home that I have dreamed about so often."

Then the man took the woman in his arms and kissed her tenderly, silently vowing that never more would he be known as an old-timer.

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Earnest Trice, who has had charge of the toilet rooms in the Union Pennsylvania Station, Pittsburgh, Pa., for fifteen years, entertained several members of the Smart Set Company at his delightful home. Mr. Trice is a man of restless energy, always doing something. He has a photographic studio, a laundry, and is the proprietor of the Liberty Auto Company. These enterprises are proving successful under his energetic supervision.

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Your correspondent had much pleasure in meeting Dr. Franklin and family. Dr. Franklin is one of the popular doctors of Pittsburgh. Rev. Scott, pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church, called to renew old acquaintances. Rev. Scott has climbed to the top of his own conference, and is now recognized as one of the ablest men in the connection. He remembered distinctly when your correspondent preached for Rev. Sansom, in Titusville, Pa., nearly 18 years ago.

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Joseph Garner, director of boy's work in the Central Avenue Branch Y. M. C. A. of Pittsburgh, was a visitor behind the scenes Thursday afternoon. Mr. Garner, having the advantage of a college education, is eminently fitted for the work in which he is engaged. He is intensely interested in Racial Progress, always endeavoring to meet colored men who have accomplished something worth while or are engaged in some worthy endeavor. He solicits books, poems, essays and musical compositions by colored authors, so that his boys may read and study them and thus gain inspirations for their life's work. Mr. Garner is well acquainted with all the colored theatrical celebrities, and has a warm spot in his heart for them and their work.

Iron City Lodge, No. 17, I. B. P. O. E. of W., 33 Fullerton street, Pittsburgh, Pa., was voted the most popular lodge of that city. W. H. Stanton, familiarly known as the Boy Lawyer is Exalted Ruler; T. D. Pace, Past E. R., and Rush Shelton, certainly the most popular man in Pittsburgh, is Secretary. Everybody in the city is delighted to receive an invitation to the Elks Rest. This was manifested when it was announced that the Iron City Lodge would give a Dutch lunch in honor of the Smart Set Company. The Rest was entirely inadequate to accommodate the hundreds who clamored for admission. And what a time everybody had. The lodge is famous for its entertainers, and the show they gave was a delight to all. Everybody ate and drank to the capacity limit. Dancing concluded the program, and all went home happy.

Miss Gertrude Struffin, the tall girl, will be seen in vaudeville soon, ha! ha! Hello Rosa.

The team which builds according to everybody's advice will have a crooked act.

W. H. SMITH
Manager Pekin Theatre, Chicago

Comments Concerning the Explanatory Letter Written by S. H. Dudley.

A few weeks ago my attention was called to a letter written by Mr. S. H. Dudley. After reading the contents very carefully I am taking this means of fully endorsing every word Mr. Dudley has expressed. For since he attempted to start the Colored Booking Agency he has been assailed on every hand from the performers' views of his methods to such an extent that I was almost on the verge of denouncing his actions. The performers, from time to time, have been tirading Dudley unjustly, and his recent letter proves that it's the performers themselves who are the cause of the present conditions. I don't want to make this a lengthy letter, but I intend to point out to some of those disgruntled performers that Dudley's version is positively truthful. As I have been a manager longer than any of, them, and of course my experience has been greater in all of my dealings with colored performers, they have no conception of their own commercial value. For an example, a few years ago I was in a position to book most any good colored act. The act would come to me and say, "We want you to look after us." I would ask them how much they wanted for their act. They would generally say about $40 or $50 per week. I would then say to them, "If I can get you the work will you give me half of $50 that I can get, as I knew that I could get the act from $75 to $90. They would say, Oh yes, yes sir, Mr. Smith, you bet we will, only be too glad to see you make something for yourself." Well they would get on the streets and they would ask this and that performer how was it that Smith could get that money when they could not get any work. In most cases they would get the mouth of some acts that I could not work them under any circumstances, and when they got through panning me the act that I was negotiating time for would think that I was a robber and a hold-up. Then I would see the act no more, in the meantime they would come and get their photos from me and go down town hustling for themselves. In most cases they would walk into the offices of the very agency that I had been negotiating with and seek work. In the meantime the agent had already accepted my terms. But now here is where the acts show their business abilities. Of course the agent asked them how much they want, and they say $50. The agent is puzzled as he has already offered a much higher figure. Then the agent gets me on the phone and says, "Smith, the act you wanted me to give you the amount for were just in here and only wanted so and so." Then all I could do was to answer that's all right. They are not working for me any more, and that is the way Mr. Dudley has found conditions. The act would write him for so much money and at the same time they would write the theatre manager, and submit him a price 20 per cent. less than that they quoted him. The only future I can see for the Negro performer that is depending on the colored theatres is for them to organize and put their affairs in the hands of reputable business men, then let the colored managers organize and keep the business where it rightfully belongs.

Among the colored men it is a well known fact that there are a number of theatres that are termed colored theaters that are purely and solely a whiteman enterprise, and it certaiuly shows a lack of intelligence on the part of other colored theaters that they can't furnish the whiteman's theater with colored talent, instead of them dictating to the colored managers and acts. I am satisfied that there is a number of colored men that are operating theaters that should they get together much good could be done for their interest as well as the acts.

Mr. S. H. Dudley is the logical leader of all affairs pertaining to theaters. His years of experience in dealing with the performers and public makes him the most fit. Then with the cooperation of such owners as Mr. Thomas of Washington, Mr. R. R. Church of Memphis, Tenn., Mr. Ollie Dempsey of Cincinnati, Ohio, Mr. W. Stiles of Savannah, Ga., Mr. Chas. Turpin of St. Louis, Mo., Mr. F. Crowd of Jacksonville, Fla., Mr. Williams of Tulsa, Okla., Mr. Lester A. Walton of New York, Mr. J. T. Gibson of Philadelphia, Pa., Mr. E. B. Dudley of Detroit, Mich., and Tim E. Owsley of Indianapolis, then there is many other managers throughout the country that would see the necessity and benefits to be derived from such an organization that would readily lend their assistance to such a worthy cause. It should be purely a Negro enterprise, such as the Negro Business Men's League. That organization don't seek the advice of any other race, then why should the managers of colored theaters buy their goods from other people. Right here in this city there have been many colored acts idle, needed work, and when you would visit one of the so-called colored theaters you would find white acts working. The same acts were booked by a white booking agent who is attempting to to control colored theaters. Performers are you going to stand for that kind of a deal?

In conclusion I will say that the only way to get good results is the organization of the managers and the organization of performers. The Negro theaters business is only in its infancy; but take this warning from me, the whiteman took away the whitewashing from your parents, they have a monoply on the barber shops and waitering. Now if you don't organize they will supplant you in the theater business. The way to start is to sell them all the acts they want, but don't buy from them, as they have already shown signs of gross discrimination.

NOTES FROM PROF. EPH WILLIAMS SILAS GREEN CO.

(By Geo. W. Smith.)

This company is doing fine in the State of sunshine and flowers. The company played a return date to a large crowd in West Palm Beach on the15th. The company was highly entertained by their friends. The company is carrying 52 people, and everybody works. Brilliantly illuminated by the latest and up-to-date lighting system for a show under canvas. Elegant scenic effects, gorgeous wardrobe and the Professor is featuring the greatest colored Brass Concert Band on the road. Positively the best show of its kind on the road today. It is not a minstrel or a plantation show but a three act musical comedy, lasting two hours and forty-five minutes.

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NEW YORK NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Hunter and Chappelle opened at the Grand Theatre, Chicago, March 4th. .. Lee Nichols and Miss Ella Jones are scoring a big success with their act, on the Dudley circuit. .. The Orient Dining Rooms, 430 Lenox avenue, N. Y., are having as entertainers Miss Ruby Mason and Ray Brown. The proprietor, Mr. R. S. Pope, is endeavoring to make this one of the popular places in Harlem and the place to get good things to eat. Visitors always welcome. .. At the Libbia Dining Rooms, 99 Rockwell Place, Brooklyn, N. Y., is Billy E. Jones, the popular New York vocalist, singing the Broadway song hits. .. The Association Cafe, corner west 133d street and 7th avenue, N. Y., and one of the finest places in Harlem of its kind, with Cecil Mack, manager, who with Mr. Wm. R. Perkins, have opened this popular place. Cecil Mack, while persuing the business of song writing, gathered more fame than any other following the same trailfi and is one of the most popular song writers. Visitors when in New York, don't forget Cecil Mack. .. Sandifer and Marshall are at the Columbia Theatre, Detroit, Mich. .. Cook and Stevens are at the Empress Theatre, Seattle, Wash, and send regards to Mr. Meyers, in Brooklyn, and New York friends. .. Howard and Mason are at the Pantage's Theatre, Victoria, B. C. .. Miller and Lyles are at the Sheridan Theatre, Pittsburgh, Pa.

STAGE NOTES.

Howard and Mason are at Pantages Theater, Victoria, B. C.

Thos. A. Brooks has been engaged for Joe Hurtigs Taxi Girls Company this week, at Elizabeth, N. J., with Gayety Theater, Baltimore, to follow.

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CHIEF SPORTING EVENTS BRIEFLY TOLD—FACTS AND COMMENTS.

(By Billy Lewis.)

Jim Corbett, speaking of a possible go between Packy McFarland and Mike Gibbons, says: Should Packy McFarland and Mike Gibbons, by any chance, happen to be matched in New York, the bout would attract the greatest crowd that Madison Square Garden has attracted in many years. However, I doubt if the boys can be brought togerher. Not that I believe either afraid of a rap to his rep through a joust with the other, but because neither man will agree to give an iota from his already announced position on the question of weight.

Gibbons has promised to make 145 pounds at 3 o'clock, while Packy insists on 145, ringside. Mike can't make 145 and be fit, so the match is impossible under those conditions.

Billy Sunday, the evengelist, says that baseball is the cleanest game, and because it has been kept from the gamblers. He was formerly a baseball player, playing wit' Chicago, Pittsburgh and the Phillies. The Phillies, of the National League, and not Connie's team.

A new bill to permit boxing in the State of Indiana came before the Legislature last week. It was indefinitely postponed, perhaps, meaning its finish. There is no reason why boxing for a limited number of rounds should not be permitted.

The Pittsburgh team's roster has been cut to 39 members. In order to do this 18 men had to be cut off. When the team goes South it will carry 30 players.

The most important bouts of the wonderful Negro, Joe Gans, totaled 155, and his defeats numbered only 6. He was knocked out by George McFadden in 1899 and by Terry McGovern in 900, the latter affair a notorious "job," lost to Franke Erne in 1900, to Sam Langford in 1903, and was knocked out twice by Battling Nelson in 1909, when he was little more than a wreck.

Sunshine Jim Coffroth, of San Francisco, is anxious to have the State of California to vote again on the fight law. He says that many did not understand what they were doing when boxing was knocked out. He says that many persons have told him that they voted the wrong way. It is possible to get a new election in two years.

Following is a program of boxing on the battleship Arkansas, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, February 11th:

1. selection by band
2. Motion picture
3. Boxing bout—Smith vs Taylor (Catch weight 3 rounds)
4. Motion picture
5. Boxing bout—Daltion vs Graff (145 lbs.—3 rounds)
6. Motion picture
7. Boxing bout—Cabrel vs Burton (118 lbs.—3 rounds)

Referee—Chief Gunner Aigner.
Pictures by Oakes

This is the ship which sailor Burton is on, also sailor Merritt, his trainer. Merritt is ex-champion featherweight of the U. S. N. The three round bouts will be noted. I dare say that this is in interest of the salors' upkeep. If they fought to exhaustion they would not be fit for their duties, no matter how light. Boxing can well be considered a thing of the gymnasium if it is kept down to the gymnasium idea—that is physical exercise. Legislators cannot be reasonably expected to permit boxing unless the idea of general physical improvement is in view. Ten rounds at the very highest might come under the meaning of physical exercise. There is scarcely any doubt about six rounds being so considered. No one could reasonably object tc bouts of three rounds.

Christy Matthewson tells a very interesting story of a player who could not play good ball because he under fed himself: It used to be McGraw's habit to sit around the lobby and see that all the men got into the hotel by midnight when the team was on the road, but lately, since he has had no bad actors on his club, he has abandoned the practice. He depends upon the players themselves and their interest in their work to bring them home in time to keep in condition. While on the road every man was expected to eat at the hotels. Among the Boston bunch was a fellow who thought that $3.00 a day was too much to pay, although he was allowed that amount for hotel expenses. He spent about fifty cents per day at the cheapest places, netting something above $2.00 in the transaction. But the denouement had to come. It was noted by the manager that this player was not giving efficient service. The following dialogue took place between the player and George Stallings, the manager, when the player was met coming out of a quick lunch joint:

"What have you been doing in there?" asked Stallings.

"Eating my dinner," replied the player.

"What's the matter with the hotel where we stop?" inquired the Boston boss.

"Too expensive."

"What did you have?"

"A bowl of milk and some crackers and some hash."

"No ball player can work for me on that diet. I have been wondering lately what was wrong with your pepper. That sort of food won't put pepper in you. It will put lead in your feet. You are fined fifty, and, if you want to stick with this ball club, you will eat at the hotel where we stop after this."

The demand of that baseball boss ought to be a lesson to would-be philanthropists and humanitarians. If a baseball player requires $3.00 a day to keep up his physical efficiency what do other people require? Cutting off the big pay for hotel service, it yet means that to live so as to be efficient means very much above fifty cents a day.

"Steel Arm" John Taylor, who is now the manager of the White Sox of Louisville, Ky., says that there are seven of the Taylor brothers now living, all of whom play ball. Their father is still living, a preacher at Anderson, S. C. He is about 70 years of age. He has never seen a baseball game, notwithstanding, that he has contributed so liberally towards its popularity. The Taylors, at least, four of them, are among the best in the country. With one Taylor managing the A. B. C.'s and the other managing the Louisville team, look out for a high old time when the two teams cross bats. When Greek meets Greek then comes the tug of war.

Now comes the information that Jack Johnson is trying to make terms with the federal authorities by which he can return to this country. He is said to be asking for a reduced sentence or to pay a fine of $5,000. It is further said that he said he would rather spend a year in jail in America than in the best hotel in France. It sounds just about like him. He was like a fish out of the water in that country; the ruling passion strong in death. He wants to get back to the levee, and as my good friend Prof. Perry, of Louisville, Ky., would put it, back to hog and hominy. I hope Johnson is misquoted even if I have taken a shot or so at him. However, I am for him because he is one of us. Not that we should stand for our own in crime, but because we are as often sinned against as sinning. We are lynched. Nobody is chased around the world on that account; for a little thing like that. It will not be policy to annoy Johnson further on such a charge. If he is willing to pay $5,000 and go free, the authorities ought to see fit to accept the compromise. The country ought to be in a very conciliatory mood when the war octopus is reaching its feelers out in a hundred directions. The Negro race is interested in this case, and if it were not it would deserve the very thing it is getting.

WHAT'S DOING IN SPORT.

HAVANA, Feb. 21.—Sam McVey, of California, was awarded the decision over "Battling Jim" Johnson, of Galveston, Tex., at the end of their twenty-round fight here last night. The men are Negro heavyweights.

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HAVANA, Feb. 21.—Jack Johnson, the Negro heavyweight pugilist, who is to fight Jess Willard for the world's heavyweight championship at Juarez, Mexico, March 6th, arrived in Cienfuegos today, and left that place by train tonight for Havana. Within the last few days Johnson has been reported in Tampico, Chihuahua City, and within the Villa lines near Juarez.

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For some reason now unknown Sam Langford and Sam McVey did not meet at the opening of the $25,000 stadium, of Cuba, Havana. Jobbery is already being charged against the management.

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Jack Hannibale writing from Evansville, Ind., says that he met the "enemy" and that he is his. He beat Jim Black in a ten-round go Thursday nght of last week.

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Sailor Burton's manager says that he has two or three matches to be pulled off in Panama. He hopes to match him against Brooks, who got a questionable decision over Burton at Vera Crug, Mexico. Any bantam weight can get a match. Darkey Griffin, Battling Chuck and Harry Gardner are preferred.

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Clabby, after beating Chip on the coast was offered battle in New York against Mike Gibbons. And that New York stuff is the easiest kind for the boxers, because they go only 10 rounds and because no decision are rendered. And yet Clabby called for a guarantee of $10,000 to match his skill against that of Gibbons. That's entirely too much money, much more than any promoter can afford to pay in these hard times. Consequently negotiations have been dropped.

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LONDON.—The British Amateur Golf Association has announced the cancellation of the golf championship contests for 1915. This competition has been held yearly for the last twenty-nine years. It is open to foreign players, and in 1904 it was won by Walter J. Travis of New York.

The British Lawn Tennis Association has decided not to issue a challenge for the Davis International Tennis Cup this year. This trophy was won by an Australian team in the United States last summer.

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Jim Flynn, the fighting fireman from Pueblo, who was in Indianapolis last week, received a wire from Jack Curley stating that a match has been practically completed with Gunboat Smith for a twenty-round contest in Juarez, Mexico, February 28th. Flynn expects to receive definite word from Curley concerning the bout today. If the contest is arranged it will be fought in the bull ring at Juarez. The fireman had originally planned to leave for El Paso, Tex., to join Jess Willard's training camp on Monday.

BIG SMOKE ALSO CHAMP IN GASTRONOMICAL WAY.

Jess Willard's Stock Rises When Ship Officials Talk of Johnson's Menu.

NEW YORK, February 20.—Jess Willard's chances for winning the big battle at Juarez two weeks from today are a whole lot better than expected if the story told today by officers of the Highland Harris, the boat which carried the Big Smoke from Montevideo to Barbados, are true. The ship just reached here with her cargo.

"I don't see how a man can win a grueling fight in the condition that Johnson is in," said Captain Robinson today. "He never had on a glove while he was aboard—about three weeks—and he denied himself nothing in the way of food.

"His appetite is enormous. Rich pastry is his chief sin, gastronomically speaking. For breakfast he would generally take a couple of chops, a big steak, chicken, bread, potatoes and a few eggs. For luncheon he had soup, a quantity of cold meat, bread and pastry. For tea he would have sandwiches and more pastry. Then for dinner he would eat soup, fish, roast beef, chicken, pudding, pastry and nuts."

Sharps or Craps?

Jack didn't do much work, according to Captain Robinson. He spent most of his time playing shuffleboard, lolling around in steamer chairs and shooting at sharps. Once in a hile, the captain said, he would skip a rope.

Johnson's party included his wife, his nephew, Gus Rhodes, Frank Hagney, his sparring partner from Sidney, his chauffeur and a masseur.

"Jack come aboard on January 20," said the chief steward, "and he was careful to see that the twenty-four choice chickens he had sent aboard were housed in a proper place. He wanted fresh eggs every day, and those hens laid so many that Jack passed 'em around."

"Didn't he give any boxing exhibitions for the officers during the trip?"

"No, sir. He never once put on the gloves. He said he wouldn't on the first day out, and he stuck to his word. He was afraid the ship might roll or give a sudden lurch, and he said he wasn't taking any chances on being injured. He did absolutely no training the eighteen days he was with us, but every day shortly before noon he stripped and massaged for about two hours.

Strong for Pastry.

"For a fighter I could not understand how he could get away with so much pastry. He likes pastry and eats an awful lot of it, nearly every meal. He got so crazy about pastry that he often went into the kitchen and cooked it himself. It was pretty good stuff, too. He kept beautifully away from alcohol. He never drank a drop during the eighteen days he was with us, and his trainers told me he never took intoxicants. He didn't even drink coffee, but he drank great quantities of Poland water with every meal, and allowed himself one cigar a day."

It was learned on board the Highland Harris that Johnson had picked up as a traveling companion a wealthy young man named Glen Cummings, who is said to be the son of a banker of Chicago. Young Cummings was making a tour of South America, and after meeting Johnson decided to travel with him on his long and uncertain journey from Montevideo to Tampico.

STRINGENT RULES NECESSARY IN HANDLING PLAYERS ON ROAD TRIPS.

(By Christy Mathewson.)

Havana, Cuba, February 12.—A letter has been forwarded to me from some follower of the game asking what the big league player does with his time when he is on the road with a team.

"You only work about two hours a day," says the letter. "What do you do the rest of the time?"

Life on the road is not such a luxury as the fan imagines. In the first place, the schedule makers always provide for hard jumps in order to carry out the schedule, and a ball club frequently gets into the town early in the morning after a tough railroad ride with only a few hours' sleep. Then the players go out and work a double header in the afternoon, perhaps, and have to make another jump that night.

After a recruit has been around the circuit once, he has seen all the sights he wants to see, as a rule. Most players sleep until 9 or 10 o'clock, eat their breakfasts, read the papers and go to the park about 1:30. The games in road towns outside of New York, road towns to the Giants, start at 3 o'clock. Some men have hobbies. Chief Meyers, of the Giants, is interested in art, and he spends a good deal of time looking over pictures. Schulte, of the Cubs, has some trotting horses and frequently looks over the stock in a town and tries out some of the animals.

The local checker champion often comes after me with a challenge. Some of us used to take our golf clubs along last season and play in the morning until McGraw put a stop to it. He recently announced the same policy for this year. He and I had just finished a round over the links of the Havana Golf and Country Club when the discussion came up. I can announce, without fear of successful contradiction, that Mac is improving steadily in the game.

Golf on Off Days.

"That is a good game," he declared, "but I don't want a man on my team to play it this year during the season unless he is a pitcher. Then he can only shoot it on off days. It will spoil any batting swing and make a hitter pop up flies. Nobody can carry clubs on the road with him this year as a lot of you fellows did last, and I guess you will find trouble hiding a set of golf clubs so that I don't know they are along."

Merkle and some of the rest of us used to play on the road last season, especially in Pittsburg, where they have fine links, but I guess that road pastime is gone from the way Mac feels about it. He is surely the boss, too.

In the evening most of the players go to the theatres. Lots of them used to attend movies, but some have got the idea that the flicker of the films hurts their eyes and have cut them out. However, I don't think any player need worry about this. They never seem to hurt mine. I call them "eye tonic."

A member of the Giants has little leisure on his hands during the spring practice, when McGraw is in charge. That is the one time of the year Mac gets up early, and he keeps all hands on the jump from right after an early breakfast until the sun has set. He is the most tireless hustler in camp, and he urges every man to follow his pace. By the time dinner is over, everybody i sready for bed except McGraw.

Mac has sat up late for several years, and he usually sleeps in the morning, except during the spring training period. It is impossible for him to go to bed much earlier than is customary, even with all that hard work, but he is the first one out in the morning. He does all this hustling on only a few hours of sleep. I don't see how he puts it over, but he is full of nervous energy and draws on it heavily in the training season.

CORBETT THINKS JESS WILLARD'S CHANCE GOOD IF HE CAN STICK TWELVE ROUNDS.

Without trying to hedge in any way, or to boost Jess Willard's chances in the coming battle—for on the dope they look mighty slim—the fact should not be forgotten that the ex-cowboy is not facing a world beater in Johnson. However, the impression seems to prevail that Johnson is unbeatable, though if anyone will take the time to figure out just what Johnson has accomplished during his entire career he will quickly arrive at a conclusion that so far the big negro has not beaten a first-class man— at least a good man in his prime.

Johnson and Willard are matched to go 45 rounds. Unless Johnson, and he has never yet won a battle in jig time, cops Jess early in the melee, the Kansan's chances will be growing greater with every clang of the gong signifying a round is over. A stretch of 45 rounds is considerable fighting these days. If Willard can get through, say, a dozen rounds without being badly hurt, the fight may develope into an endurance contest.

And in the matter of condition, figuring age, dissipation, etc., Willard ought to have a big edge on his colored opponent. Johnson is in his thirty-seventh year, and he has gone a pretty swift pace the last four or five years. Willard is 10 years younger and doesn't know what the word dissipation means so far as practicing in any of its many arms goes. Therefore, if the battle does simmer down into a question of which man can remain on his feet for two hours and a quarter of actual fighting time, the odds will be in favor of the white.

Another thing, Willard can hit and hit hard too. I think he can deliver a much harder punch than Johnson can. Of course, having a punch and knowing how to land it are two different things, and that is where Johnsan has the edge—in cleverness and experience. But if Willard fights on the defensive for a dozen or more rounds, Johnson's chances to get in effective wallops will be growing slimmer and slimmer as the fight grows older.

Many believe Johnson will fall before the first real good man who meets him. But few regard Willard as a "good man." If Jack Johnson were to battle Sam Langford I believe that the Boston tar baby would be the favorite in the betting. And when we recollect that Frank Moran stayed the limit of 20 rounds with the champion last summer, it will not be surprising if Willard, a much better man every way than the Pittsburgher, sticks the 45—if he doesn't do any more.

Taking the records of the two men and comparing them, what do we get? Nothing that would give Willard a lookin, but Jess has never fought Langford, Jeannette nor McVey, popularly looked upon as the only first-class men besides the champion, and there is no telling just how good he is. He has done nearly everything asked of him with the single exception of beating Gunboat Smith, and if they were to meet tomorrow the chances are that Jess wouldn't find it very much of a task to deliver the goods.

There are many fans who will back a champion any time he starts, regardless. But those who follow the game closely know that the sure thing in the betting is not always the sure thing in the ring. Although I, like all others who figure a fighter's chances on his known form, can't naturally give Willard a chance on the dope, on a commonsense basis we must not figure him entirely out of the running. If Willard takes the defensive throughout and compels the Negro to force the milling, the white man's chances will be much improved.

THE WAY OF THE MEXICAN ARMY AT JUAREZ.

Jack Curley and General Villa have agreed as to the protection that will be given the coming world's championship bout between Willard and Johnson, at Juarez, Mexico. There will be 2,000 soldiers on hand to see that no trouble occurs. This number may not make an appreciable dent on the 28,000 capacity of the arena, but their relatives and friends—what will Jack do with them?

What the syndicate may expect in the way of unproductive attendance is revealed in the following story of Frankie Conway, the featherweight, who has been through the Juarez mill:

"The house was jammed, and I thought my fortune was made, till I learned that every Mexican in uniform marched through the gate free of charge and dragged in all his friends. If the door tender made any protest, the Mexican generals drew their swords and the privates began to tug at their revolvers. The promoters are defenseless, and these fellows do just as they please. We had about 822 generals, 69 privates soldiers and an uncounted mob of their friends at the show, and the cash receipts paid by Americans who bought tickets totaled $437."

THE BOXING STADIUM, HAVANA, CUBA, BUILT AT A COST OF $25,000.

The stadium, recently finished, is located in the center of Maine Park, Havana. The seating capacity is 15,000. The first fight of twenty-five rounds took place Saturday night, February 13, between Sam Langford and Sam McVey. All fights will be for a decision. If necessary, the referee has the right to increase the rounds so as to get a decision. Many of the best boxers will go to Havana this winter. There will be preliminaries of six and twelve rounds. The six rounds will be by local men made up from the Rural Guards and men from the different regiments. The twelve rounds will be by good men from the States. The fights will take place every Saturday night during February, March and April. Excursion trains will run from every city in the island of Cuba, as well as special excursion rates from the States.

KENOSHA, WIS., NEWS

Lynching is a disgrace. To friends of Congress and of the various States; lynching is a subject that should be taken under consideration. It hurts me as much as it does the person or persons that are lynched, and I have been studying and trying a way that would bring it to an end. Now this is a study that has been studied for more than fifty years, and it may be too much for me to handle. It will take brained men to put this before the public so it can be seen to an advantage. I say I have here a way and feel that it is a successful way that will in time break up lynching in the South.

First, the law makers of Washington will have to pull off their silk hats and long coats, because it will be a red hot fight to make a law that any state in the United States will, and must pay $5,000 to the family or nearest relative for each life that if lynched. When any state will be compelled to pay $5,000 for the life of a Negro, then lynching will cease, or the lawmakers of that state will make it impossible for lynchers to lynch and get away with it, If that don't work the poor class of white people will wake up to the fact that lynching Negroes are only making the Negroes rich. They would rather do anything than aid the Negro in getting rich.

Then the outcry would be, let the law take its course, then the proper evidence will have to be proven to 12 men, that the party or parties are guilty. Then let the law punish to the extent of the law. I know the conditions in the South. I was born in Kentucky and have made a study of the South. I was well liked by both white and colored of my birth city. We, as a race of people, know that there are lots of pure, good and clean hearted white people in the South, also in Washington, and we vote and support men to represent us from all states where lynching occurs, and why not ask something of that man or men that we support. Have him represent us and make his laws in his that all men shall be dealt with equal. that all men shall be delt with equal. We as a race of people do not want any more than what is coming to us or due us, but we hate to take and be punished for what we are not guilty of. I remember an incident which happened in Louisville, Ky., and it very often crosses my mind that seven-tenths of the cases in the South are as this one was.

On east Main street there was a family of working white people, the daughter keeping company with two men. The steady was jealous and did not want her to keep company with another. She promised she would not. One night she would not consent for him to call and he hid in the yard, as the house sat back in the yard quite a ways. He remained until she returned about 12:30, and a white bade her good night and caught his car. The steady grabbed the girl, and of course she screamed. The neighbors come running to her assistance. When she became conscious again she told all the people that it as a brown-skinned colored man and also described his height and description. Seven boys were picked up that night, six of them she said were not the ones and the seventh, the last one, she said she was not sure but he looked like the one. The next day a kind hearted detective who doubted her word went on the scene and questioned the girl. He asked her the way the man ran. They went to the fence where her steady jumped the fence, and the detective picked up a watch fob she had given the young man for a Christmas present. She fainted. The colored man was let out of jail and her steady skipped the town. Then the newspapers fainted and when they gained consciousness nothing more was presented or heard of the affair. Let up hope we will get a $5,000 law.

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LOCAL.

Geo. G. Simmons, of The Freeman, and his niece, Lenina B. Smith, 2021 Cooper street, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Caine, of Greencastle, last Sunday.

Mr. Robert Henderson, of Chicago, Ill., is visiting in this city. He will be guest of relatives.

Rev. W. W. Russell, of 828 east 12th street, Topeka, Kansas and Field Secretary of Western Baptist Conventions, is visiting in this city, stopping at the Y. M. C. A.

HARRY COOKE PASSES THROUGH CITY.

Harry Cooke, a well known popular citizen and club owner, of Des Moines, Iowa, passed through the city this week en route to French Lick, Ind.

A. M. E. ZION CHURCH CONVENES HERE MARCH 10.

The Indianapolis District Conference of the A. M. E. ion church will convene at Campbell's Chapel, March 10. The Rev. O. H. Banks, superintendent of the district, will preside. The eighteen churches and missions, with their auxiliaries, will be represented.

JONES TABERNACLE TO BEGIN REVIVAL SERVICE MARCH 7.

The Rev. W. J. Walls, assisted by Rev. John H. Smiley, will conduct revival services at Jones Tabernacle beginning Sunday, March 7. Both of the ministers are of Louisville, Ky., the Rev. Smiley being an evangelistic singer of note.

MRS. ECTOR TO ENTERTAIN WOMAN'S IMPROVEMENT CLUB.

Mrs. Irene Ector, of Talbott avenue, will entertain the Woman's Improvement Club, Thursday, March 4. Mrs. Florence Etter will discuss "The Monorail" and Mrs. Fannie Dougherty will give a book review.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN OPENS AT Y. M. C. A. TOMORROW.

Dr. Robert L. Bradby, of Detroit, Mich., will open the evangelistic campaign at the Y. M. C. A. building tomorrow in an address. He will preach each evening in the week. H. L. Britt, evangelistic singer of Louisville, Ky., will conduct the singing.

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COWANS AND MOORE ASK FOR RECEIVER OF GRAND LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

They Charge that Lodge Has Attempted to Divert Funds to Detriment of All.

A receiver for the grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, of North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Africa, and Australia, jurisdiction of Indiana, is asked in a suit filed in superior court, Room 3, Monday, by George J. Cowens and John M. Moore, who say they are members of the lodge.

Cowens and Moore aver that the lodge has an endowment of $40,000, out of which widows and orphans are paid. They charge that the lodge has attempted to divert, and is diverting, this endowment fund to the detriment of the members of the lodge.

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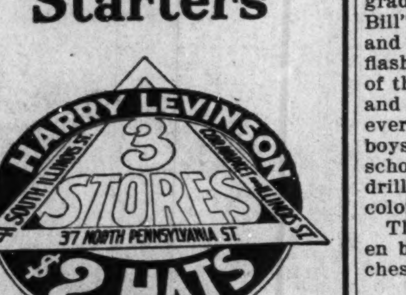

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MR. AND MRS. WILLIS BRYANT WILL OBSERVE TWENTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

Cards are out announcing the twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bryant, which will be observed at their home, 814 E. Wyoming street, March 4, from 4 to 6 o'clock p. m.

SPIRITUALIST CHURCHES.

It is an interesting thing to see a house full of strangers, with so many turned away each Monday night from the door of Madam Meadows Spiritualist Church, which is held at 514 Fulton street. She gave 67 messages last Monday to the house full of both white and colored strangers, but all were recognized. Everybody is welcome to her meetings.

ST. PHILIP'S P. E. CHURCH.

On Sunday, Feb. 28th, the services will be as follows:

7:30—Holy communion.
11:00—Morning prayer and sermon. Topic, "Jesus and the Rulers."
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Sunday the pastor will preach morning and evening. The B. Y. P. U. topic will be opened by Deacon Edward Washington, of the above named church. Last Sunday the pastor preached an able sermon. The communion services were nicely attended at 3 o'clock. The Sunday school began with graded classes. The B. Y. P. U. topic was beautifully opened by the vice president, Mrs. Samuel Rivers. The Trustees Club is at work with a dollar block system.

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STABS HIS WIFE'S AUNT IN THE NECK.

And Then Rides Away on His Bicycle.

Lillian Greer, colored, 747 North California street, is at the city hospital with a stab in the neck as a result of a quarrel last Monday morning at the Greer home. Mrs. Greer is the aunt of Mrs. John Thompson, and it was while trying to protect Mrs. Thompson from her husband that she was stabbed.

Mrs. Thompson and her husband have been separated for two weeks, and Thompson has tried repeatedly since to get her to go back to their home at 840 Miller street, but Mrs. Thompson has refused. Mrs. Greer told her niece to get out of the room, and this angered Thompson, so it is said, and he stabbed Mrs. Greer. Thompson came to the house on a bicycle and rode away after the cutting..

RETURNS HOME TO SURPRISE HIS MOTHER

Only to Find Her Cold in Death.

After three years' service in the United States regular army, William J. Brady returned here Sunday from the Philippine Islands with the gleeful anticipation of pleasantly surprising his mother with his unexpected arrival. Immediately on leaving the union station he went to 1524 Bynum Place where he silently stole into the little home, thinking how happy his dear old mother would be when she saw the return of "the prodigal." He found her ther but she was cold in death and there was a scene that brought tears to every one present. It was too late. Mrs. William Cooke, at the age of 37 had passed away, after a long illness. The funeral was held Wednesday at 2 o'clock from Simpson Chapel. The Rev. P. T. Gorham, pastor of that church preached the funeral, assisted by Supt. H. Bryant. She leaves an only son and a husband, William Cooke.

COLORED SCHOOL PUPILS WIN APPLAUSE AT EXHIBIT.

They Give Interesting Program of Drills.

Wednesday night was the night of all nights, especially for the pupils of the various colored schools of Indianapolis at the Child Welfare Exposition held in Tomlinson hall this week for the building fairly resounded with applause.

The girls of the eighth grade, school No. 17, gave a complicated Indian club drill, all without any audible orders; the boys of the sixth grade, school No. 23, gave a "Buffalo Bill" dance, wearing scarlet sashes and big sombreros and brandishing flashing (wooden) knives; the pupils of the third grade, school No. 24, boys and girls, gave a flag drill that stirred every beholder to patriotism and the boys of the seventh and eighth grades, school No. 26, gave another splendid drill. A drill also was given by the colored Y. M. C. A.

The music for the evening was given by the Shortridge High School Orchestra.

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The Sunday School Teacher-Training Course will open Friday night, March 5th, under the direction of Rev. C. W. Lewis. Superintendents, teachers and others should enroll in this department at once.

The Trinity Art Recital under the direction of Miss A. J. Sherman will be given at Ebenezer Baptist church, Rev. J. H. Holler, pastor, Thursday night, March 4th. Art Sketching by Miss Sherman, vocal solos by Mrs. L. Simpson, Miss Cordelia Walton, Rev. J. H. Holder and Mrs. E. Jenkins. Instrumental solo by Mrs. J. Yanthis and Miss Mabel Loving. Reading by Miss Laura M. Everitte and Mrs. Daisy Jackson, and Miss Jennie Tyree.

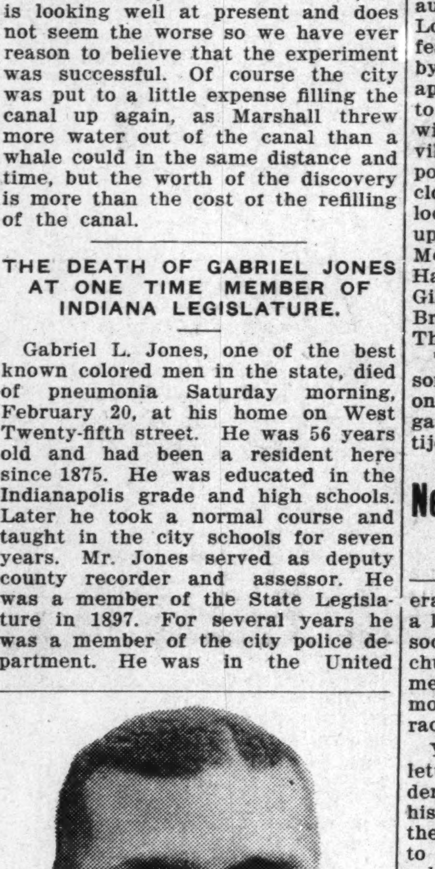
Monday morning, March 1st, at 10 o'clock, there will be a lecture by Rev. F. G. Brookins. March 8th, Rev. F. L. Morris will lecture. March 15th Rev. J. D. Johnson will lecture.

CHARLES MARSHALL DISCOVERS A SUBSTITUTE FOR TURKISH BATH.

Mr. Charles Marshall, who is a wonderful genius in literary research, and whose articles have appeared in The Freeman weekly and afforded much in the way of enlightenment and entertainment, astounded his most intimate friends last week when he somewhat deviated from his general field of work to take up that of a scientist. Sometimes Mr. Marshall, as other great writers do, takes on a little too much "thought producer." And it was while in this state of being that the noted genius took it upon himself to try and find a new and a cheaper way of steadying the brain after the night before. Most intemperate "thirst quenchers" take a turkish bath the next morning, but not so with Marshall. He took advantage of the Canal, which runs through Bucktown where there are innumerable "Thirst Palaces." Some say that he fell in and others say he jumped in, but I am of the belief that he jumped in because Marshall is a man of his word, and if he had promised himself to get rid of his troubles he would not have changed his mind, even if the water was cold. Then, too, in this time of the year he would hardly take a pleasure swim in a running stream especially when the Y. M. C. A. with its splendid bathing pool with warm water was only a square from the place where he jumped or fell in. So the only logical conclusion for one to reach was that Marshall must have been trying the cold water cure instead of the turkish bath. I was not there at the time, but they say that he swam a square in the cold icy water. However, he is looking well at present and does not seem the worse so we have ever reason to believe that the experiment was successful. Of course the city was put to a little expense filling the canal up again, as Marshall threw more water out of the canal than a whale could in the same distance and time, but the worth of the discovery is more than the cost of the refilling of the canal.

THE DEATH OF GABRIEL JONES AT ONE TIME MEMBER OF INDIANA LEGISLATURE.

Gabriel L. Jones, one of the best known colored men in the state, died of pneumonia Saturday morning, February 20, at his home on West Twenty-fifth street. He was 56 years old and had been a resident here since 1875. He was educated in the Indianapolis grade and high schools. Later he took a normal course and taught in the city schools for seven years. Mr. Jones served as deputy county recorder and assessor. He was a member of the State Legislature in 1897. For several years he was a member of the city police department. He was in the United



Gabriel Jones.

States revenue service under former President Benjamin Harrison and was at the time of his death watchman for the United States custom house.

Mr. Jones had been a member of Bethel A. M. E. church for thirty years and was leader in many of its activities. He was a member and officer in the Trinity Lodge of Masons and was also a member of the Persian Temple of Shriners. He was a member of the Garrett Smith Lodge of Grand United Order of Odd Fellows and was twice state grand master.

Mr. Jones is survived by his widow, Mrs. Addie Jones; his mother Mrs. Amanda Jones; a sister, Mrs. Alice Grysell, and a son, Benjamin, director of engineering at the A. and M. College, Normal, Ala.

The funeral was held at Bethel A. M. E. church last Tuesday at 1 o'clock. The service was conducted by Rev. D. P. Roberts, assisted by Presiding Elders Rev. Morris Lewis and Rev. Craven and Rev. H. L. Herrod. The orders to which he belonged also took part in the service. His remains were interred at Crown Hill cemetery.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

It has been the policy of the association to set aside each year, one week in which a special religious effort is made and when all activities of the association are subordinated as far as practical to the supreme purpose of presenting Christ to men. This year special services will begin next Sunday, Feb. 28th, and will continue through the week closing on the following Sunday. Dr. Robert L. Bradby, of Detroit, Mich., will be the evangelist in charge, and he will be assisted by Mr. H. B. Britt, of Louisville, Ky., who will conduct the singing.

Mr. Bradby announces the following subjects to be discussed: Sunday, "Man and His Ideals of Life;" Monday, "Fag End Religion;" Tuesday, "What is God?" Wednesday, "What is Man?" Thursday, "Two Steps for Death with Life;" Friday, "The Price of Privilege." The Sunday meeting begins promptly at 3:00 p. m. and every night at 8 p. m. All men are cordially invited to attend and have a part in the services.

About 250 men and women heard Prof. A. M. Hall deliver an address on "George Washington." All were well repaid for coming out. The special numbers were furnished by the band, orchestra and quartet.

Rev. H. L. Herod, delivered the address before the boys' monster meeting last Sunday. He held the boys spellbound in relating the incidents from the life of Washington and closed with a strong appeal to the boys to take God into their hearts and grow up to be useful citizens. Mrs. Jas. H. Wilson was the soloist and the boys will not soon forget her sweet singing. One hundred and three boys were at the meeting.

Mr. Geo. L. Hayes will be the speaker next Sunday, Feb. 28th, at 3:00 p. m. Mr. Clifford Pierce will be the soloist.

The Boys' Compaign for new members has been quite a success. Fifty-seven new members were added during the period of Feb. 15-22. All boys who have been solicited and could not get the money will have until March 1st, at which time a banquet will be tendered all boys who have brought in a new member.

The annual February membership campaign closed with 261 new members and renewals added to the rolls. Mr. Hayes Bransford captained the winning team, No. 1 and brought in 32. Mr. H. L. Sanders, team No. 7 was second with 20, and Mr. C. C. Bowers, team No. 12, third with 18. The price of membership is now $7.

About 200 men and women witnessed the Junior Gymnastic exhibition Thursday evening. The program consisted of marching, wand drill, apparatus work, boxing, tug-of-war, basket ball, relays, relay races and swimming events. Every one seemed to enjoy the evening's entertainment.

Before a large and enthusiastic audience numbering about 500, the Louisville "Y" basket ball team defeated the local "Y" Friday evening by the score of 29 to 22. The Indianapolis boys are expecting to go over to Louisville in the near future to wipe out the defeat. King of Louisville scored the largest number of points with 11 to his credit. He was closely followed by Hazzard of the local team with 10 points. The line-up was as follows:

McGuire	center	King
Hazzard	right forward	Nixon
Gilmer	left forward	Baker
Bryant	right guard	Cooper
Thomas	left guard	Pate

The refereeing of Mr. Harry Jackson was the best that has been seen on the local floor this season and gave universal satisfaction. Mr. Pettijohn, of Louisville, umpired.

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eraries of the city, and there will be a large delegation from each of these societies. The pastors of the various churches are also co-operating. The meeting promises to be one of the most notable in the history of the race in this city.

Your correspondent has written a letter to Congressman Martin B. Madden, of Illinois, congratulating him on his splendid defense of the women of the race. He has also wrote a letter to Governor Fielder, of New Jersey, asking him to inquire into conditions concerning the miscarriage of justice in the case of Joseph Smith, an aged white man, who made an outrage on little girl five years old.

Your correspondent has received an official invitation from the secretary of the Republican Club of this city to be present at the discussions of the club each Saturday afternoon. The invitation includes all of the privileges of the press.

Your correspondent would like to hear from race journals throughout the country for terms for news. Your correspondent wants to make the Bureau far reaching and to cover a wider scope.

Prof. William Pickens, of Wiley University, after a two weeks' speaking tour in the east, which terminated last Saturday in this city, left for the South last Sunday morning.

Dr. Booker T. Washington is now at Tuskegee. The meeting of the Trustees will be held on Monday, February 22.

Mr. Mossell, a graduate of Howard University, is in the city.

CLEVELAND G. ALLEN.

8th Regiment Ball a Big Success

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American and statesman. Mr. Grenner was in a particularly happy vein, and his narrative of personal reminiscences centering around the personality of Douglass were especially illuminating and interesting. He closed by citing a portion of Douglass's last public address, which were a clairion call to the American conscience. Speaker Roberts did himself proud by the dignified and tactful manner, the prudent and courteous grace which showed he was a complete master. During the interim between the scholarly and interesting addresses the 12th Regiment Band played some beautiful selections. Owing to previous engagements, Judge Olson was somewhat late in arriving, but the great crowd was patient and fully rewarded when he arrived. His appearance brought an air of patriotism and good cheer. He delivered a well prepared address, short but succint. The judge took the stand that there is no race problem but a human problem, but all of one race. Just recently the press of the city published a decision hearing on this question, favoring right and justice to all people, regardless of color. He spoke with great admiration for Douglass, whom he had heard speak and knew well. Judge Olson is running for Mayor on the Republican ticket.

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The Umbrian Glee Club at Oak Park.

The Umbrian Glee Club had the honor to sing at Oak Park's First Presbyterian church on Monday night. It was a high honor for this organization, and they did themselves proudly. Dr. Barton, pastor of the church spoke on the "Characteristics of Negro Music." The soloists were C. J. Childress, A. A. Brown, A. H. A. Lewis and Charles Pierce.

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When and Where Will the Exposition Be?

The question is still being asked when and where will the Negro Exposition be. At first it was to be at the new Eighth Regiment Armory, then at the Coliseum, then the stock yards, and now some say it has changed from this place. Its about time we should have the date, place and extent of its exhibits, if any money is left available.

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Dr. Joe Jones' Finger Amputated.

Dr. Joe Jones, whose fingers were frozen this winter, while skating, was forced to have his finger amputated, on Tuesday of this week, at Provident Hospital, by Dr. U. G. Bailey.

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Another Ball on March 1st.

Mr. R. C. Adams, the leading dancing master of the city and who has a dancing class every Monday, Thursday afternoon and Saturday night, at Johnson Hall, will give a big dance on March 1st, at the new Eighth Regiment Armory. He has secured Boarman's string orchestra augmented to furnish the music. All the new dances will be played, and a great evening is in store for the dancing public on that occasion.

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Word comes to this office that Major R. R. Jackson, State Representative, is ill at his home.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(By Z. L. Breedlove.

A. M. E. Church—Rev. Jameson preached in the morning from St. John VI, 27, on the subject "The Sealed Christian." In the evening his subject was "The Judgment to Come." Sunday school had a fair attendance. .. Salem Baptist—Rev. J. M. Owens preached Sunday morning on "Consolation" and at night on "Faith and Work." Rev. T. D. Dennis, D. D., of Guthrie, Ky., will open a ten-days' revival meeting on March 2. .. Mr. Robert Ernest and Mr. James Frederick Clay were initiated into the Masonic lodge Monday evening. .. Z. L. Breedlove was initiated into the Monarch club Tuesday evening, Feb. 16, making twelve members. .. Rev. W. H. Whitsitt has added twenty-one new members to the C. M. E. church as a result of the revival. .. A man who wants the earth is the man that earth can get along without. .. Consult your own physician when you are ill. .. Mr. Nathan Dyer is sick with pneumonia. .. Mrs. H. E. Rowan is on the sick list. .. Mrs. Harvey King, who has been indisposed, is convalescent at her residence, 703 N. Elm street. .. Mrs. John Beatty was called to Mazie Lake, Ky., on account of her mother being ill. .. The Freeman and Chicago Defender on sale at 520 N. Hickory street. .. Mrs. C. E. Phillips of Monticello, was in the city last week. .. Mr. Robert Earnest visited his parents at Homer last week. .. The Monarchs are expecting a good attendance at their sixth annual dance to be given Thursday, Feb. 25.

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LOST RELATIVE.

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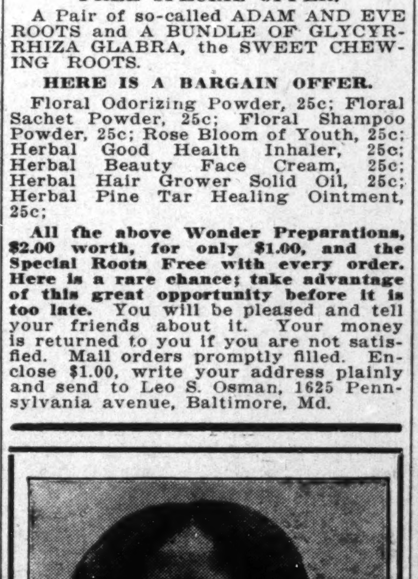

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